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I take pleasure in presenting to the Members of the Legislature, municipal officials and other interested parties, the 1991 edition of Alberta Municipal Assistance Programs. This publication is an inventory of grants and cost-sharing programs implemented for the benefit of Alberta municipalities and other local government entities.

The material deals primarily with provincial financial assistance programs. However, certain federal programs have been included, particularly those which are coordinated by the province under agreement. A separate table of contents has been provided for grants available to community associations, organizations and other interest groups.

Basic information is provided in a concise format and the departmental contact is identified for each program. This publication is for reference purposes only and is not intended as a substitute for the provincial statutes, regulations or specific instructions and explanatory material issued from time to time by the various provincial government departments.

This year marks the 14th consecutive year of publication and the 15th such issue since its inception in 1976. The material was compiled by the staff of the Municipal Services Branch, Alberta Municipal Affairs. Alberta Municipal Affairs acknowledges the valuable contribution all departments have made over the years, and expresses its appreciation to all officials for their time and effort expended to complete this publication.

Yours sincerely,

Raymond A Speaker

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Minister

Enclosure

FOREWORD

This 1991 revised listing of Alberta Municipal Assistance programs replaces the 1990 publication in its entirety. This revised edition reflects any changes, additions or deletions to the provincial assistance programs. These additions, deletions, transfers or consolidations are reflected in the appendices.

The table of contents in this issue has been divided into two sections. The first section is a listing of all the programs. The second section is a listing of programs available not only to municipalities but also to community associations, organizations and other interest groups.

The various provincial grants and cost sharing programs have been compiled in this publication to provide municipal officials, government employees and the general public with concise descriptions of the numerous programs currently available to Alberta Municipalities, to other government entities and to organizations undertaking co-operative projects. Also included in this survey of available programs are those jointly funded by the Federal and Provincial governments.

The information contained in this booklet is NOT a complete inventory of the provincial assistance programs. The primary purpose of this publication is for reference only with more detailed information to be obtained from the contact person(s) listed on each program.

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ALBERTA AGRICULTURE

1.1 AGRICULTURAL SERVICE BOARD PROGRAM

1.1.1 **OBJECTIVES** -- To assist municipalities in carrying out projects and programs that will preserve and improve agricultural production.

1.1.2 **ELIGIBILITY** -- This program is available to all Alberta rural municipalities that have organized an agricultural service board or committee and have hired a full time agricultural fieldman.

1.1.3 **DESCRIPTION** -- Annually each board prepares an outline of proposed activities in concert with department officials and subject to provincial guidelines. The four major areas of activity are:

1. Rural Services - in projects of administration, advisory committees, training, joint extension programming between boards and local Alberta agricultural personnel, and legal assistance;

2. Animal Industry projects - in areas of livestock improvement and protection;

3. Plant Industry projects - in areas of weed control, field crops, forage crops, pest control, soil fertility, horticulture, and tree planting;

4. Conservation and Development Programs - Soil Conservation Act enforcement, identification and mapping of soil erosion and salinity, erosion and salinity projects, on farm water management projects, demonstrations, specialized equipment purchase, awareness and education.

1.1.4 **FINANCING** -- Payments are made by authority provided under the Agriculture Service Board Act and in response to grant claims. For most programs, provincial grants are provided up to a maximum of 60% of the program costs. The remaining costs being carried by the municipality or the landowner.

See Provincial Funding Allocation Section 15.1.1.

1.1.5 **TIME FRAME** -- This is an ongoing program of the Provincial Government.

1.1.6 **REFERENCE** -- Agricultural Service Board Act,.Chapter A-11 R.S.A.
Department of Agriculture Act,.Chapter D-12 R.S.A. 1980

1.1.7 **INFORMATION CONTACT**

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1.2 BACTERIAL RING ROT CONTROL POLICY

1.2.1 **OBJECTIVES** -- To control the pest bacterial ring rot in potatoes.

1.2.2 **ELIGIBILITY** -- Available to Alberta rural municipalities where table stock potatoes are grown commercially.

1.2.3 **DESCRIPTION** -- Bacterial ring rot is a pest by authority of the Agricultural Pests Act which must be controlled and eradicated. Each cooperating municipality will be paid an annual grant by the Department to do the inspections. Sufficient commercial production is required for a municipality to be eligible.

1.2.4 **FINANCING** -- A grant of $50 per potato grower plus $1 per acre of potatoes under permit.

See Provincial Funding Allocation Section 15.1.2.

1.2.5 **TIME FRAME** -- This is an ongoing program.

1.2.6 **REFERENCE** -- Agricultural Pests Act,.Chapter A-8.1 R.S.A. 1984

1.2.7 **INFORMATION CONTACT**

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1.3 SEED CLEANING PLANT PROGRAM

1.3.1 **OBJECTIVES** -- To assure clean seed grain for farmers within a municipality, the Department of Agriculture will, by agreement with the rural municipality as provided in the Agricultural Service Boards Act, assist financially in the construction, replacement or upgrading of one or more centrally located cooperative seed cleaning plants within a district.

1.3.2 **ELIGIBILITY** -- This Program is available to all Alberta rural municipalities.

1.3.3 **DESCRIPTION** -- The Department of Agriculture may accept or reject any application by a municipality for assistance. An Agricultural Service Board should be formed within the district or districts, and be in operation to the satisfaction of the Department of Agriculture. One or more municipalities must be financially involved along with the Department of Agriculture.

1.3.4 **FINANCING** -- Involves cost sharing between the Department of Agriculture, the municipality and farmer shareholders of the cooperative.

The number of projects that can be funded in any one year will be subject to the availability of funds.

See Provincial Funding Allocation Section 15.1.3.

1.3.5 **TIME FRAME** -- This is an ongoing program.

1.3.6 **REFERENCE** -- Agricultural Service Board Act,.Chapter A-11 R.S.A. 1980

1.3.7 **INFORMATION CONTACT**

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1.4 CANADA/ALBERTA AGREEMENT ON SOIL, WATER AND CROPPING RESEARCH AND TECHNOLOGY TRANSFER PROGRAMS (CARTT)

1.4.1 **INTRODUCTION** -- The Canada/Alberta Agreement on Soil, Water and Cropping Research and Technology Transfer Program or CARTT is a joint Federal/Provincial program created in response to the National Agriculture Strategy. CARTT consists of two major components/programs, Component "A" and Component "B".
Component "A" is primarily research related to soil conservation and crop management in the northeast region of Alberta. Component "B" provides assistance for technology transfer and demonstrations province wide. The details of Component "B" are further described in detail.

1.4.2 **OBJECTIVE** -- To develop and transfer appropriate conservation tillage and cropping technology which will minimize soil degradation and sustain economic crop production.

1.4.3 **ELIGIBILITY** -- This program is available to all rural municipalities with a organized agricultural service board. Project proposals may also be submitted by individual producers, producer organizations or other agencies interested in promoting soil and water conservation practices.

1.4.4 **DESCRIPTION** -- Individuals or organizations interested in applying for CARTT funding should complete a project application form. Forms are available from PFRA, Agricultural Service Board fieldmen, District Agriculturists and Regional Coordinators.

Eligible Projects:

1. Demonstrations

CARTT will consider project proposals which will demonstrate ways of decreasing wind erosion, water erosion, salinization, and the loss of organic matter. Project proposals could include demonstrating reduced tillage systems, incorporation of legumes into a cropping rotation or simply be an extended cropping rotation. Improved soil moisture management project proposals will be considered such as those relating increased soil moisture retention or better snow management.

2. Awareness/Technology Transfer

Any extension activity focusing on soil and water conservation will be considered. This could include meetings, conferences, tours, radio talks, publications, booklets, etc.

1.4.5 **FINANCING** -- The level of funding provided will be established following the review of individual project proposals. Priority will be given to projects proposing a shared funding arrangement.

See Provincial Funding Allocation Section 15.1.4.

1.4.6 **TIME FRAME** -- Contact the regional coordinator, Alberta Agriculture district office or the municipal agricultural fieldmen for current program focus and application deadlines.
The program is slated for completion March 31, 1993.

1.4.7 **INFORMATION CONTACT**

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1.5 CANADA/ALBERTA SOIL CONSERVATION INITIATIVE (CASCI)

1.5.1 **INTRODUCTION** -- The Canada/Alberta Soil Conservation Initiative or CASCI is an agreement on soil conservation signed by Alberta and Canada to promote soil conservation in Alberta.

CASCI is part of the Canada/Alberta Accord on Soil and Water Conservation and Development. CASCI consists of five provincial programs, five federal programs and one joint program. These are:

Provincial Programs;

1) Demonstrations, Local Planning and Awareness.

2) Technology Transfer, Extension and Planning Program.

3) Field Shelterbelts.

4) Soil Conservation Professorship and Research Program.

5) Land-Use Adjustment.

Federal Programs:

1) Permanent Cover.

2) Soil Conservation Equipment/Support.

3) Soil Conservation on Indian Reserves.

4) Soil Monitoring Survey and Research.

5) Awareness, Information Transfer and Support Services.

The joint program is: Program and Policy Review.

1.5.2 **OBJECTIVE** -- To promote the implementation of practices that will conserve Alberta's soil resource and sustain long-term agricultural productivity for future generations.

1.5.3 **ELIGIBILITY** -- The programs are available to all rural municipalities with an organized agricultural service board, individuals, producer organizations and non-producer organizations interested in soil and water conservation. Eligibility varies by program.

1.5.4 **DESCRIPTION** -- Organizations interested in applying for CASCI funding must develop soil conservation action plans. Detailed information is available from the Regional Soil Conservation Coordinators or Prairie Farm Rehabilitation Administration (PFRA) Area Soil Conservationists.

Eligible Projects:

1. Demonstrations, Local Planning and Awareness Program

CASCI will consider projects and activities that include demonstrations, tours, field days, seminars, awareness activities and conservation planning. Funding for manpower is also available.

2. Soil Conservation Equipment/Support Program

CASCI will consider projects to purchase, lease or rent specialized conservation equipment. The equipment is to be used for demonstration or trial purposes in the municipality.

3. Permanent Cover

CASCI will fund the retirement of certain sensitive marginal land from annual crop production by putting it under permanent cover. Producers may apply for assistance to seed perennial forages or trees on eligible land.

4. Field Shelterbelts

CASCI is making additional trees available to farmers free of charge for use in field windbreaks.

1.5.5 **FINANCING** -- The level of funding provided is based on a municipality's cultivated acreage and the merit of the action plan.

See Provincial Funding Allocation Section 15.1.5.

1.5.6 **TIME FRAME** -- Contact the Regional Soil Conservation Coordinators or PFRA Area Soil Conservationist for application deadlines. Application deadlines vary by program.

1.5.7 **INFORMATION CONTACT**

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ALBERTA CAREER DEVELOPMENT and EMPLOYMENT

2.1 SUMMER TEMPORARY EMPLOYMENT PROGRAM (S.T.E.P.)

CAREER AND WORK EXPERIENCE ELEMENT

2.1.1 **OBJECTIVES** -- To provide short-term employment and career development opportunities for unemployed Albertans during the summer months, May to August.

2.1.2 **ELIGIBILITY** -- Eligible employers are: municipal governments - cities, towns, villages, summer villages, improvement districts, municipal districts, and counties; Indian Bands and Metis Settlements; incorporated non-profit organizations; and publicly funded organizations including school boards, hospitals and post-secondary institutions.

2.1.3 **DESCRIPTION** -- Employers are responsible for recruiting employees, 15 years of age or older, into new, full-time positions, lasting a minimum of four weeks. Career experience positions may be funded for four months and work experience positions may be funded for two months.

2.1.4 **FINANCING** -- Alberta Career Development and Employment will subsidize participating employers $4.50 per hour for an approved position plus an additional 10% of the subsidized wage rate to help defray employer costs for benefits. The employer is responsible for paying the employees full wages and must submit a monthly claim in order to be reimbursed for the subsidized wage.

See Provincial Funding Allocation Section 15.2.1.

2.1.5 **TIME FRAME** -- May 1 to August 31, 1991. Program is subject to review. Contact nearest Career Development Centre.

2.1.6 **REFERENCE** -- Department of Career Development and Employment Act Chapter D-13.3 R.S.A. 1983

2.1.7 **INFORMATION CONTACT**

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8th Floor, CityCentre Bldg.
10155 - 102 Street
Edmonton, Alberta
T5J 4L5
Phone: 422-1184

2.2 EMPLOYMENT SKILLS PROGRAM (E.S.P.)

2.2.1 **OBJECTIVES** -- To reduce dependency upon financial assistance for a selected group of social assistance recipients by providing them with counselling, training and temporary, full-time work experience.

2.2.2 **ELIGIBILITY** -- Eligible employers are: municipal governments, provincial government departments, school boards, post-secondary institutions, health authorities, hospitals and auxiliary hospitals, nursing homes, and family and community support services offices.

2.2.3 **DESCRIPTION** -- The program assists the client in learning, relearning or refining work related skills and attitudes and provides a recent work record which will help them secure ongoing employment. Clients are eligible to be in a full-time work experience placement up to a maximum of six months.

2.2.4 **FINANCING** -- Funding for the employees wages is provided by Alberta Career Development and Employment at a rate of $6.00 per hour. Eligible training costs will be reimbursed up to $1,000 per trainee.

See Provincial Funding Allocation Section 15.2.2.

2.2.5 **TIME FRAME** -- All projects must be completed by March 31, 1992. Program is subject to review. Contact below listed offices directly for information.

2.2.6 **REFERENCE** -- Department of Career Development
and Employment Act
Chapter D-13.3 R.S.A. 1983

2.2.7 **INFORMATION CONTACT**

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2.3 CAREER DEVELOPMENT AND EMPLOYMENT OFFICES

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Career Development Centre
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9603 - 90 Avenue
T0X 2X0
Phone: 624-6211

Calling Lake
Career Development Centre
Ku-nah Building
General Delivery
T0G OKO
Phone: 331-3911

Fort Chipewyan
Career Development Centre
Multiplex Building
Box 37
T0P 1B0
Phone: 697-3925

Fort McMurray
Career Development Centre
7th Floor, West Tower
Jubilee Centre
9915 Franklin Avenue
T9H 2K4
Telephone: 743-7194

Opportunity Corps
10010 Centennial Drive
Fort McMurray
T9H 1X1

Grande Prairie
Career Development Centre
1201 Provincial Building
10320 - 99 Street
T8V 6J4
Phone: 538-5348

Fort Vermilion
Career Development Centre
Box 462
T0H 1N0
Phone: 927-3777

High Level
Career Development Centre
Box 452
10603 - 93 Street
T0H 1Z0
Phone: 926-2661

High Prairie
Career Development Centre
Brost building
Box 1146
T0G 1E0
Phone: 523-6630

Janvier
Career Development Centre
General Delivery
Chard
T0A 0S0
Phone: 559-2222

Wabasca
Career Development Centre
General Delivery
T0G 2K0
Phone: 891-3930

Slave Lake
Career Development Centre
Box 787, Lakeland Centre
101 Main Street, South
TOG 2A0
Phone: 849-7220

Opportunity Corp
1008 - 7 Street N.E.
Box 825
Slave Lake
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Trout Lake
Career Development Centre
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Wetaskiwin
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Phone: 352-1357

Athabasca
Career Development Centre
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Edmonton
T5K 2R4
Phone: 427-3730

CALGARY REGION

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Calgary
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SAIT Liaison Office
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Edmonton
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Lethbridge
T1J 4C7

Medicine Hat
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T1A 0G7
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Career Development Centre
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226 Provincial buliding
782 Main Street
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Red Deer
Career Development Centre
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ALBERTA CULTURE
and MULTICULTURISM

ALBERTA HISTORICAL RESOURCES FOUNDATION

The Alberta Historical Resources Foundation is a crown corporation established by Alberta Culture and Multiculturalism. The funds at the disposal of the Alberta Historical Resources Foundation are derived primarily through an allocation from Alberta Lotteries.

The grant programs of the foundation have been developed in consideration of the needs of Albertans in the preservation of the Province's heritage and in observance of the objectives of the foundation. It should be noted that grants are not normally given to reimburse expenses incurred before the date the grant is awarded.

REFERRENCE -- Historical Resources Act
Chapter H - 8, Part 3

TIME FRAME -- These are ongoing discretionary programs of the Alberta Historical Resources Foundation with no known termination date.

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3.1 PROFESSIONAL DEVELOPMENT IN HERITAGE PRESERVATION

3.1.1 **OBJECTIVES** -- To assist with costs to attend workshops, seminars or conferences which expand the knowledge of Alberta's history and support and encourage heritage preservation in general.

3.1.2 **DESCRIPTION** -- Evidence shall be provided that attendance is vital to the applicant's development in heritage preservation in general. Paid and volunteer workers in Alberta historical and heritage preservation may apply.

3.1.3 **ELIGIBILITY** -- Applicants must be resident Albertans or have a permanent address in Alberta.

3.1.4 **FINANCING** -- Grants are provided to a maximum of $500. Only one grant is available per candidate in any fiscal year.

See Provincial Funding Allocation Section 15.3.1.

3.1.5 **DEADLINE** -- Applications may be made at any time well in advance of event.

3.2 EDUCATION

3.2.1 **OBJECTIVES** -- To help sponsor special presentations/educational projects which increase the knowledge of Alberta's history among youth.

3.2.2 **ELIGIBILITY** -- Applicants must be resident Albertans or have a permanent address in Alberta.

3.2.3 **FINANCING** -- Grants are available to a maximum of $3,000.

See Provincial Funding Allocation Section 15.3.2.

3.2.4 **DEADLINE** -- Applications may be made February 1 and September 1 of the fiscal year.

3.3 HERITAGE AWARENESS

3.3.1 **OBJECTIVES** -- For projects which promote, enhance and increase knowledge of Alberta's history through visual, participatory or other methods deemed appropriate by the Board of Directors.

3.3.2 **DESCRIPTION** -- Plaques, monuments and signs may be funded, if the subject to be commemorated is also interpreted. Projects funded under this program must provide significant information about Alberta history and be meaningful to the general public.

Ineligible are costumes, uniforms, festivals, cenotaphs or cemetery cairns.

3.3.3 **ELIGIBILITY** -- Applicants must be resident Albertans or have a permanent address in Alberta.

3.3.4 **FINANCING** -- Grants are available to a maximum of $5,000.

See Provincial Funding Allocation Section 15.3.3.

3.3.5 **DEADLINE** -- Applications may be made February 1 and September 1 of the fiscal year.

3.4 **HISTORIC RESOURCE PRESERVATION** (Restoration and/or engineering, architectural, feasibility studies)

3.4.1 **OBJECTIVES** -- For the preservation, restoration, stabilization, or protection of a site, structure, area, monument or cementery, building or group of buildings having historical, architectural, archaeological or palaeontological importance to the province and/or to a particular locality.

3.4.2 **DESCRIPTION** -- Applications are subject to a priority system as follows:

1) Provincial Historic Resources.
2) Registered Historic Resources.
3) Municipal or Local Historic Resources.

Provincial and Registered Historic Resources are those sites/structures etc. which have been designated by the Minister of Culture and Multiculturalism under the Historical Resources Act.

Recipients are required to meet the technical requirements set by the Department of Culture and Multiculturalism. Grants are not normally awarded for operating expenditures, debt reduction, or replicas and new construction is ineligible.

Applicants are required to provide matching funding.

3.4.3 **ELIGIBILITY** -- Applicants must be resident Albertans or have a permanent address in Alberta.

3.4.4 **FINANCING** -- Grants are available to the following maximums:

Provincial Historic Resources	$75,000
Registered Historic Resources	$25,000
Engineering/Architectural studies	$15,000
Municipal or Local Historic Resources	$ 5,000
Cementeries	$ 2,000

See Provincial Funding Allocation Section 15.3.4.

3.4.5 **DEADLINE** -- Applications may be made February 1 and September 1 of the fiscal year.

3.5 WORKSHOPS, SEMINARS, CONFERENCES

3.5.1 **OBJECTIVES** -- To assist in costs relating to organization and presentation of workshops, seminars or conferences which expand the knowledge of Alberta's history, and support and encourage heritage preservation in general.

3.5.2 **DESCRIPTION** -- This grant is to be used for local or provincial events. Those events of national or international nature which take place in Alberta will be reviewed on a case by case basis.

3.5.3 **ELIGIBILITY** -- Applicants must be resident Albertans or have a permanent address in Alberta.

3.5.4 **FINANCING** -- Grants are available to a maximum of $1,000 per event although larger requests may be considered at the Board of Directors discretion.

See Provincial Funding Allocation Section 15.3.5.

3.5.5 **DEADLINE** -- Application may be made February 1 and September 1 of the fiscal year.

3.6 PUBLICATIONS

3.6.1 **OBJECTIVES** -- For printing or reprinting of an historical publication dealing with Alberta's human history and pre-history. Also for printing of brochures and pamphlets of a commemorative or historically informative nature.

3.6.2 **DESCRIPTION** -- This grant is to be used towards printing costs only.

Conditions

a) Community history book projects having **collective authorship** are required to submit:

- table of contents;
- introductory chapter;
- the portions of the manuscript consisting of material **other than** family histories.

b) History book projects on any other appropriate subject, having **collective authorship**, are required to submit a copy of the complete manuscript.

c) History book projects on any appropriate subject, having **individual authorship**, are required to submit:

- complete manuscript (if partial, a table of contents, introductory chapter and a complete chapter from the body must be provided);
- curriculum vitae of author;
- two letters of reference.

d) Brochure or pamphlet projects are required to submit:

- final text;
- sample of design;
- illustrations/photographs that will be used.

Family histories and publishers are ineligible for funding under this program.

3.6.3 **ELIGIBILITY** -- Applicants must be resident Albertans or have a permanent address in Alberta.

3.6.4 **FINANCING** -- Grants for publications are awarded on the following basis to the maximum amounts listed below:

Collective authorship	$3,000
Individual Authorship	$4,000
Brochures and Pamphlets	$3,000

See Provincial Funding Allocation Section 15.3.6.

3.6.5 **DEADLINE** -- Applications may be made February 1 and September 1 of the fiscal year.

3.7 RESEARCH

3.7.1 **OBJECTIVES** -- To encourage quality research that reaches the broadest possible audience, advances public knowledge of Alberta's history and is presented in a medium of appropriate quality for a target audience.

Projects such as oral histories and site inventories may be considered under this program. A resume or curriculum vitae of the researcher(s) must be submitted along with two letters of reference.

3.7.2 **ELIGIBILITY** -- Applicants must be resident Albertans or have a permanent address in Alberta.

3.7.3 **FINANCING** -- Grants are available to a maximum of $10,000.

See Provincial Funding Allocation Section 15.3.7.

3.7.4 **DEADLINE** -- Applications may be made February 1 and September 1 of the fiscal year.

3.8 ALBERTA MAIN STREET AND HISTORIC DISTRICT PROGRAM

3.8.1 **OBJECTIVE** -- To assist technically and financially in the preservation and revitalization of concentrations of significant heritage buildings, normally in urban streetscapes.

3.8.2 **ELIGIBILITY** -- While the Main Street Program is for communities with populations between 3,000 and 5,000, the Historic District Program is open to all cities, towns, villages, summer villages, counties, municipal districts and improvement districts

3.8.3 **FINANCING** -- The Main Street Program provides up to $67,000 per year for three years to encourage historic building facade restoration. Normally, three to four projects are operated simultaneously. The Historic District Program has up to $250,000 available per year for up to three years. Any one such project is supported per period.

See Provincial Funding Allocation Section 15.3.8.

3.8.4 **DEADLINE** -- Applications for these programs are only taken every two to three years as budgets allow. Advertised calls for applications are periodically made for the Alberta Main Street Program.

3.9 MUSEUM ASSISTANCE PROGRAM

3.9.1 **OBJECTIVES** -- To assist in maintaining or improving the quality of museums in Alberta by making available annual operating grants to support the conservation, preservation, exhibition and other activities related to the operation of the museum.

3.9.2 **ELIGIBILITY** -- Grants may be applied for by:

- non-profit, incorporated organizations,
- municipalities,
- school districts or divisions.

Eligible organizations are required to:

- Have an administrative authority responsible for the management of the museum.

- Maintain financial records which clearly identify revenue and expenditures specific to the operation of the museum.

- Own more than 50% of the objects in its collection, or provide care for other publicly owned collections for at least one year and on an ongoing basis.

- Have and apply a museum accession system, acceptable to the Minister, based on a written statement of purpose (mandate) and forming part of a collections policy which contains statements regarding long-term care.

- Have an appropriate procedure acceptable to the Minister for disposing of the collection to another public institution if the organization is dissolved or can no longer carry on with the operation of the museum.

- Have the museum being operated by the organization open to the public at least 200 hours prior to the date of application and continue to be open to the public at least 200 hours each calendar year.

3.9.3 FINANCING -- This is a matching grant program made available at the discretion of the Minister with funding limited to the amount appropriated by the Legislative Assembly in any one fiscal year.

All eligible museums may receive a basic grant of $200 provided that application requirements are met.

Grant Categories

Community Museums

Museums located in a municipality with a population of less than 15,000 or which have an annual visitation less than 50,000, fall into this category.

The maximum grant provided under this category is $5,000.

There are three ways of obtaining the maximum allowable:

1) Local fund-raising - up to $5,000 on a dollar for dollar matching basis.

2) Value of donated artifacts - up to $1,000.

3) Value of volunteer support - up to $1,000.

Regional Museums

In order to qualify for grants under this category, a museum must employ at least one full-time salaried curator and either:

- be located in a city or town, other than Edmonton and Calgary, with a population of 15,000 or more, or
- have a recorded attendance of over 50,000 in the previous operating year.

The maximum grant provided under this category is $12,000.

There are three ways of obtaining the maximum allowable:

1) Local fund-raising - up to $12,000 on a dollar for dollar matching basis.
2) Value of donated artifacts - up to $2,000.
3) Value of volunteer support - up to $2,000.

See Provincial Funding Allocation Section 15.3.9.

3.9.4 **DEADLINE** -- Applications for funding under this program are to be submitted to Alberta Culture on or before July 1st in the grant year.

3.9.5 **TIME FRAME** -- This is an ongoing program of the Provincial Government with no known termination date.

3.9.6 **REFERENCE** -- Historical Resources Act
Chapter H-8 R.S.A. 1980

3.9.7 **INFORMATION CONTACT**

Grants Officer
Alberta Culture and Multiculturalism
Historical Resources Division
Old St. Stephen's College
8820 - 112 Street
Edmonton, Alberta
T6G 2P8
Phone: 431-2305

3.10 LIBRARY GRANT

3.10.1 **OBJECTIVES** -- To provide Library Services to all regions of Alberta.

3.10.2 **ELIGIBILITY** -- The Minister may make the following grants:

a) Annual operating grants to public libraries.

b) Establishment grants payable to a library system board to assist in the establishment or expansion of a library sysyem with respect to:

(1) i) a library system board being established under section 20 of the Libraries Act:

ii) a *municipality, improvement district, special* area or school authority becoming a party to an agreement under section 21 of the Libraries Act;

iii) a party to an agreement undergoing an increase in population because of annexation of land that did not belong to a party associated with that library system;

iv) a municipality, improvement district, special area or school authority becomes a party to an agreement under section 21 of the Libraries Act because there has been a change in its status.

(2) An establishment grant may not be made to a library system board with respect to the City of Edmonton, the City of Calgary or in the case of the merger of 2 or more library systems.

c) Grants to assist in resource sharing and the development of bibliographic networks in Alberta.

3.10.3 **DESCRIPTION** -- An application for an annual grant shall be submitted in the year in which the grant is to be paid. It must be accompanied by an audited financial statement of the operation of the library during the preceding fiscal year. In the case of a municipal or regional library, a copy of the budget for the year in which the grant is to be paid must accompany the application.

3.10.4 FINANCING

3.10.4.1 LIBRARIES OPERATING GRANTS

1 (1) Subject to subsection (2), the Minister may make grants under this part to assist boards in operating libraries and providing library services.

(2) If a municipal board or library system board has received or is to receive a grant under this Part with respect to the residents within the boundaries of a community library, the community board is not eligible for a grant under this Part in the same year.

3.10.4.2 COMMUNITY LIBRARIES

2 The Minister may make a grant to a community board that had an expenditure in the previous year, of the greater of

(a) $1,000, or

(b) 1.57 times the expenditure, up to a maximum of $3.18 per capita.

3.10.4.3 **MUNICIPAL LIBRARIES**

3(1) The Minister may make a grant to the municipal board,

(a) if the population of the municipality is 600 or less, of $2,550, and

(b) if the population of the municipality is greater than 600, in an amount equal to the greater of

(i) $5,125, and

(ii) an amount, not to exceed $4.18 per capita, calculated in the ratio of 3.15:2 times the appropriation, if the appropriation is at least $2 per capita

3.10.4.4 **LIBRARY SYSTEMS**

4 The Minister may make a grant to a library system board in an amount calculated in the ratio of 2.1:1 of the appropriation if the appropriation is at least $1 per capita, to a maximum of $2.88 per capita.

3.10.4.5 **OPERATING GRANTS - GENERAL**

6 An application shall include

(a) the name and address of the applicant;

(b) in the case of a community board, a financial statement of the community library for the previous year audited by persons whose qualifications are satisfactory to the Minister;

(c) in the case of a municipal board or library system board, a budget for the year in which the grant is to be received and a financial statement of the municipal library or library system as the case may be, for the previous year.

7(1) Notwithstanding sections 3 and 4, if in any year the appropriation of a municipal library or library system is reduced from that of the previous year, the amount of the annual grant shall be reduced by the same amount in the following year.

7(2) Notwithstanding subsection 7(1), in the year in which a city becomes a party to a library system agreement, and if the combined appropriation for the municipal board and the library system board is at least equal to the appropriation to the municipal board in the previous year, the grant shall not be reduced.

3.10.4.6 **LIBRARY SERVICES GRANT**

1(1) Subject to subsections (2) and (3), the Minister may make grants in accordance with this Part.

(2) An applicant is not eligible to receive a grant under this Part more than once each fiscal year.

(3) If a municipal board or library system board has received or is to receive a grant under this Part with respect to residents within the boundaries of a community library, the community board is not eligible for a grant under this Part in the same year.

2(1) The Minister may make a grant to a municipal board or community board that receives financial assistance from an improvement district, summer village or special area, of up to 1.5 times the financial assistance received in the previous year.

(2) The total grant paid under this Part in a year in respect to an improvement district, summer village or special area shall not exceed $4.08 per resident of the improvement district, summer village or special area, as the case may be.

3(1) The Minister may make grants to library system boards that have been authorized by councils of municipalities, improvement districts or special areas, as the case may be, to provide them library service if those municipalities, improvement districts or special areas, as the case may be:

(a) are parties to an agreement respecting the library system or, in the case of counties, have authorized the county board of education to be a party to the agreement,

(b) give an appropriation to the library system board of an amount equivalent to at least $2.75 per capita.

(2) A grant under subsection (1) may only be used to provide library services to public libraries within the library system.

(3) The total grant paid under this section in a year shall be $4.30 per resident of all the municipalities, improvement districts or special areas referred to in subsection (1) which do not have municipal boards.

4 An application under this Part shall be made at the same time and in the same manner as an application under Part 2 and shall be accompanied by proof satisfactory to the Minister from each municipality, improvement district, summer village or special area, as the case may be, that it has authorized the library system board to apply for the grant.

3.10.4.7 **LIBRARY SYSTEM ESTABLISHMENT GRANTS**

1(1) Subject to subsection (2), the Minister may make an establishment grant to a library system board to assist in the establishment or expansion of a library system with respect to

(a) a library system board being established under section 20 of the Libraries Act;

(b) a municipality, improvement district, special area or school authority becoming a party to an agreement under section 21 of the Libraries Act;

(c) a party to an agreement undergoing an increase of population because of annexation of land that did not belong to a party associated with that library system;

(d) a municipality, improvement district, special area or school authority becoming a party to an agreement under section 21 of the Libraries Act because there has been a change in its status.

(2) An establishment grant may not be made to a library system board with respect to the City of Edmonton, the City of Calgary or in the case of the merger of 2 or more library systems.

2 The Minister may make an establishment grant of $10.27 per capita except in the case of a grant under section 1(1)(d) where the grant shall be $10.27 per capita less the establishment grants previously made in respect of the population residing within the boundaries of the party to an agreement.

3 In addition to the requirements of section 3 of Division 1 of the Cultural Grant Regulation an application shall include

(a) evidence satisfactory to the Minister of the population of the new party to an agreement or annexed land, as the case may be, and

(b) a copy of the agreement signed by the party to an agreement.

4 An application shall be submitted within 60 days of when a library system is established, expanded or the status of a party to an agreement has changed, as the case may be.

3.10.4.8 **GENERAL**

1 For the purposes of grant calculations the number of residents shall be determined by using

(a) the most recent estimates of population published by the Department of Municipal Affairs for the fiscal year prior to the fiscal year in which the grant is made

(b) if estimates for the municipality have not been published, the most recent population census under the Statistics Act (Canada).

See Provincial Funding Allocation Section 15.3.10.

3.10.5 **TIME FRAME** -- This is an ongoing program of the Provincial Government that was implemented in 1912. There is no known termination date.

3.10.6 **REFERENCE** -- Department of Culture and Multiculturalism Act
Chapter D-15 R.S.A. 1980

3.10.7 **INFORMATION CONTACT**

Director
Libraries and Community
Development Branch
Alberta Culture and Multiculturalism
16214 - 114 Avenue
Edmonton, Alberta
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Phone: 427-2556 FAX: 422-6519

ALBERTA
ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT
and TRADE

4.1 ALBERTA COMMUNITY BUSINESS DEVELOPMENT TRAINING SERVICES

4.1.1 **OBJECTIVES** -- To assist communities to acquire a better understanding of the economic development relationship in their region in order to enhance community efforts in stimulating growth.

4.1.2 **ELIGIBILITY** -- This service is available to associations, communities, municipalities, or other interested groups at no cost.

4.1.3 **DESCRIPTION** -- Assistance is provided to cover such initiatives as:

- Developing a community information package.
- Forming an economic development committee.
- Promoting local business development.
- Prospecting for industrial development.
- Marketing a community's industrial land, commercial and business opportunities.
- Developing a community economic development plan.
- Downtown revitalization.

Training sessions can be arranged by contacting the local Business Counsellor who works with the communities in delivering this service.

See Provincial Funding Allocation Section 15.4.1.

4.1.4 **TIME FRAME** -- This is an ongoing service of Alberta Economic Development and Trade.

4.1.5 **REFERENCE** -- Department of Economic Development and Trade Act
Chapter D-16.1 R.S.A. 1986

4.1.6 **INFORMATION CONTACT**

Executive Director
Business Counselling and Development
6th Floor, Sterling Place
9940 - 106 Street
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Phone: 427-5267

and/or regional offices.

4.2 BUSINESS INITIATIVES FOR ALBERTA COMMUNITIES PROGRAM

4.2.1 COMMUNITY BUSINESS DEVELOPMENT FUNDING

4.2.1.1 **OBJECTIVES** -- To provide direct financial assistance on a cost shared basis, through municipal councils or designated local business organizations, for specific activities to enhance local business growth and development.

4.2.1.2 **ELIGIBILITY** -- Funding is available to eligible applicants representing and supported by towns and villages with a population of less than 10,000 including:

- the local municipal council itself or other elected bodies;
- local business organizations, e.g., Chambers of Commerce;
- registered societies which include local entities, Indian Bands, Metis Settlements, private sector corporations as members;
- other recognized entities having involvement in economic development; and
- a recognized body representing a group of communities.

Individuals and individual businesses are not eligible for direct funding.

Any activity consistent with the long term economic development goals of a community (or communities) is eligible. Activities **must not** duplicate or replace existing services or funding of government or other organizations. Activities are not eligible for funding under this program if they are eligible for funding from other programs. Funds awarded under this program may not be used for the expansion or upgrading of physical assets.

4.2.1.3 **FUNDING** -- Assistance is provided as follows:

- The provincial contribution under this program is a grant equal to 50 % of activity costs up to a maximum of $12,500 per community.
- The local contribution may be "in kind", e.g., the provision of office space or secretarial services during the implementation of an approved activity.
- Grants from this program are intended to supplement funds solicitated from other organizations or raised in the community. They may not be used to replace such funding.
- No new activity by the same applicant will be considered for funding until previously funded activities have been completed to the satisfaction of the Minister of Economic Development and Trade.

See Provincial Funding Allocation Section 15.4.2.

4.2.1.4 **REGIONAL APPLICATION** -- Assistance is provided as follows:

- Funds may be pooled by qualified adjacent communities who share economic linkages to achieve greater economies of scale (e.g., mutual interdependence or a close proximity to each other).
- Funding may be pooled to a maximum of $12,500 per eligible community to a maximum of $50,000 per application.

4.2.1.5 **TIME FRAME** -- Grants will be for the length of the project up to a maximum of one year.

4.2.2 COMMUNITY ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT WORKSHOP FUNDING

4.2.2.1 **OBJECTIVES** -- To provide direct financial assistance on a cost-shared basis to assist in the organization of workshops, conferences and seminars on a broad regional basis. These initiatives must contribute to expanding the knowledge and understanding in community business development and economic diversification amongst community leaders and assist in providing some focus and direction for local community economic development initiatives.

4.2.2.2 **ELIGIBILITY**

- municipal councils and other local elected bodies;
- local legally constituted business organization e.g., Chambers of Commerce;
- economic Development Boards;
- other recognized entities having involvement in economic development;
- a recognized body representing a group of communities; and
- the majority of communities participating in the activity must have a population under 10,000.

Eligible expenses for funding shall include all associated activities such as:

- advertising and Promotion:
- consultant or facilitator fees;
- facility and special equipment rentals;
- refreshments e.g., coffee; and
- all other costs associated with the workshop or seminar.

4.2.2.3 FINANCING

- The provincial contribution under this portion of the Business Initiatives for Alberta Communities Program is a grant of no greater than 50 percent of activity costs up to a maximum of $5,000 per activity.
- Grants from this portion of the Business Initiatives for Alberta Communities Program are intended to supplement registration fees and other contributions solicited elsewhere by covering any deficit. They may not be used to replace such funding.
- Payment will be made to the sponsoring group upon receipt of all invoices and expense receipts (originals) which must be forwarded to the department prior to the end of the fiscal year (March 31st) in which the activity occurred.
- Grants awarded under this portion of the program shall not diminish funding available to eligible communities through the Community Business Development portion of the Program.

See Provincial Funding Allocation Section 15.4.2.

4.2.2.4 **REFERENCE** -- Department of Economic Development and Trade Act
Alberta Regulation 216/87, Schedule 4

4.2.2.5 **INFORMATION CONTACT** Manager,.Business Initiatives for
Alberta Communities Program
Small Business & Industry Division
Economic Development and Trade
6th Floor, Sterling Place
9940 - 106 Street
Edmonton, Alberta
T5K 2P6
Phone: 427-5267

Information and direction on the program may be obtained from the local Member of the Legislative Assembly and Regional Business Counsellors of Economic Development and Trade.

4.3 ALBERTA ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT AND TRADE REGIONAL OFFICES

The Department operates regional offices across the Province to provide Alberta companies access to business counselling, information services and management assistance; and facilitate the delivery of entrepreneurial education services. In addition, the offices foster a entrepreneurial attitude and promote sound management practices helping Alberta's business community make informed business decisions.

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Edmonton, Alberta
T5K 2P6
427-5267

CALGARY
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999 - 8 Street, S.W.
Calgary, Alberta
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297-6248

CAMROSE
5005 - 49 Street
Camrose, Alberta
T4V 1N5
679-1235

EDSON
204 Provincial Bldg.
Bag 9000
111 - 54 Street
Edson, Alberta
T7E 1T2
723-8229

GRANDE PRAIRIE
1401 Provincial Bldg.
10320 - 99 Street
Grande Prairie, Alberta
T8V 6J4
538-5230

LETHBRIDGE
416 Stafford Drive S.
Postal Bag 3014
Lethbridge, Alberta
T1J 4C7
381-5414

MEDICINE HAT
109 Provincial Building
346 - 3 Street, S.E.
Medicine Hat, Alberta
T1A 0G6
529-3630

PEACE RIVER
10122 - 100 street
Postal Bag 900, Box 3
River Drive Mall
Peace River, Alberta
T8S 1T4
624-6113

RED DEER
3rd Floor, Provincial Bldg.
4920 - 51 Street
Red Deer, Alberta
T4N 6K8
340-5300

ST. PAUL
Provincial Bldg.
5025 - 49 Avenue
St. Paul, Alberta
T0A 3A0
645-6358

Economic Development and Trade's **Business Program Guide** provides a comprehensive listing of business programs from all Alberta Government and selected Federal Government departments. This guide is geared specifically to the business community.

The Department also operates a toll-free business information service (1-800-272-9675 or in Edmonton 422-9494) which provides basic information on business start-ups, expansions and government business initiatives.

ALBERTA EDUCATION

EXPLANATION OF SCHOOL GRANTS

The following is a brief description of grant programs available from Alberta Education. There are however NO Alberta Education grants for which municipalities can directly make application for.

REFERENCE -- School Act, 1988; Department of Education Act; School Foundation Program Fund Grants Regulation; School Grants Manual.

INFORMATION CONTACT

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Edmonton, Alberta
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5.1 SCHOOL FOUNDATION PROGRAM FUND (S.F.P.F.)

5.1.1 **OBJECTIVES** -- Seventy-five percent of provincial funding to school jurisdictions is distributed through the S.F.P.F. which is funded by the general revenues of the province and by a tax levy on non-residential (commercial and industrial) property. The S.F.P.F. grants are intended to support school boards in the provision of quality education for all students, grades 1 to 12.

5.1.2 **ELIGIBILITY** -- All school jurisdictions providing instruction in grades 1 to 12. Private schools are not eligible for funding from the School Foundation Program Fund.

School jurisdictions include school districts, divisions, counties or a city or town having merged administration under the Municipal and School Administration Act. Alberta Education grants are available only to school jurisdictions or private schools. There are no Alberta Educations grants which municipalities can directly apply for.

5.1.3 **DESCRIPTION** -- The school foundation programs include provincial support for basic student instruction, student transportation and approved construction and modernization of school buildings.

- **Basic Instruction Grants** enable school boards to deliver instructional programs which meet the basic education needs of their students.
- **Student Transportation Grants** are divided into three main categories:
    - support to school boards in rural areas;
    - support to school boards in urban areas;

  - special support to all school boards.

- **School Capital Funding** is provided for new construction, modernization and building quality restoration projects. School jurisdictions are required to submit annually their capital project applications in accordance with their established priorities. The School Buildings Board through the School Capital Plan then approves the highest priority projects in the province.

5.1.4 FINANCING

- **Basic Instruction Grants** are provided on a per student basis according to the educational level of the student.
- **Transportation Grants** are based primarily on the number of eligible transported students, the number of buses operated and the distance travelled.
- Provincial support for school capital projects is based on debenture and short-term loan repayment instalments, and is equal to the supported principal and interest that the board paid or will pay in a given year.

See Provincial Funding Allocation Section 15.5.1.

5.1.5 TIME FRAME -- The School Foundation Program fund was established in 1961 and is an ongoing program of the Provincial Government.

5.2 EQUITY GRANTS

5.2.1 OBJECTIVES -- The Provincial Government, in recognition of the financial circumstances of certain school jurisdictions across the province is committed to fiscal equity in education funding. In addition, the provincial government provides special grants to some school jurisdictions in exceptional cases.

5.2.2 ELIGIBILITY -- Qualifying school jurisdiction only. Private schools are not eligible for equity grants.

5.2.3 DESCRIPTION

- **Fiscal Equity Grants** are provided to school jurisdictions to reduce the effects of factors which are beyond their control and which cause differences in available resources and services to students. The grant addresses variations in fiscal capacity, sparsity and distance.
- **Distance Learning Grants** provide funding to school boards with low enrollment senior high schools, in order to increase the availability of courses using distance educational technology.

- **Incremental Grants** provide special funding to enable school jurisdictions to begin or continue the operation of its schools, or to augment a special program or projects undertaken with the prior approval of the Minister.

5.2.4 FINANCING

- **Fiscal Equity Grants** compensate school jurisdictions with below average tax bases, sparse populations and for being located in remote areas of the province.
- **Distance Learning Grants** are provided on a per student-credit basis to senior high schools with fewer than 150 students. School jurisdictions with property tax bases more than twice as wealthy as the provincial average are not eligible for funding.
- **Incremental Grants** include the Metis Betterment Grant which provides funding in-lieu-of a property tax on Metis Settlements. Other incremental grants are determined on an individual school jurisdiction basis.

See Provincial Funding Allocation Section 15.5.2.

5.2.5 TIME FRAME -- Equity grants are part of the School Grants Order which is funded from the general revenues of the province and is an ongoing program of the Provincial Government.

5.3. SPECIAL EDUCATION GRANTS

5.3.1 OBJECTIVES -- The Provincial Government provides support to assist school jurisdictions in providing appropriate programs for exceptional students with special needs, whether the students are gifted, talented, physically or mentally disabled.

5.3.2 ELIGIBILITY -- All school jurisdictions receive funding based on their number of resident students. Private schools are not eligible for this funding.

5.3.3 DESCRIPTION

- **Special Education Block Grants** are provided to school jurisdictions to assist with programs for exceptional students with special needs.
- **High Incidence Grants** are provided to school jurisdictions which experience an above average incidence of severely handicapped students.
- **Resident Students of the Government** assistance provides funding in support of education programs in Young Offender's Centres or Institution's operated or approved by the government.
- **Regional Assessment Services Grants** provide funding to school jurisdictions under contract with Alberta Education for the provision of

regional assessment, consultation and professional development services for sensory impaired multi-handicapped students and their teachers.

5.3.4 FINANCING

- **Special Education Block Grants** are provided to school jurisdictions on a per resident student basis to allow for maximum flexibility in meeting local needs and priorities.
- **High Incidence Grants** provide funding for every severely handicapped student in excess of the provincial average rate of incidence.
- **Resident Students of the Government Grant** pays the tuition fees of qualifying students or the net cost of the educational program for these students.

See Provincial Funding Allocation Section 15.5.3.

5.3.5 TIME FRAME -- Special Education Grants are an ongoing program of the Provincial Government funded through the School Grants Order by the general revenues of the province.

5.4 STUDENT PROGRAM GRANTS

5.4.1 OBJECTIVES -- The Provincial Government provides a number of grants to support the provision of educational programs that meet the needs of students beyond the basic education program.

5.4.2. ELIGIBILITY -- All school jurisdictions are eligible provided that they offer the program or services involved. Private schools are not eligible for this funding.

5.4.3 DESCRIPTION

- **Vocational Education Grants** are for programs to assist students to integrate basic education skills and job entry skills in a technical learning environment.
- **Extension Grants** are provided to jurisdictions for basic education programs delivered outside of the regular school hours.
- **High Needs School Grants** are provided to the school districts in Edmonton and Calgary to meet the needs of students who are disadvantaged educationally, socially and economically.
- **Native Education Grants** are provided to school jurisdictions with a significant number of Native students for implementing approved projects designed to enhance the opportunities for Native students.

- **Language Program Grants** include French Language Grants, English as a Second Language Grant and grants for other languages.

5.4.4 FINANCING

- **Vocational Education Grants** are based on credit enrollment units for approved programs.
- **Extension Grants** are based on the number of course hours for adult basic education, day, evening, summer and special education extension programs.
- **High Needs Schools** funding is provided in the form of a lump sum grant to the four qualifying school boards in Edmonton and Calgary.
- **Native Education Grants** are provided on a project basis to qualifying school jurisdiction.
- **Language Grants** are based on the number of students enrolled in the various language programs.

See Provincial Funding Allocation Section 15.5.4.

5.4.5 TIME FRAME -- Student Program Grants are on ongoing programs under the School Grants Order funded by the general revenues of the province.

5.5 GENERAL EDUCATION GRANTS

5.5.1. OBJECTIVES -- The Provincial Government provides general education grants to support various programs not supported by the basic education grants.

5.5.2. ELIGIBILITY -- All school jurisdictions are eligible provided that they offer the program or services involved. Private schools are not eligible for this funding, except that accredited funded private schools qualify for the Instructional Resources Subsidy.

5.5.3 DESCRIPTION

- **Community School Grants** are provided to school jurisdictions which operate designated Community Schools.
- **Regional Resource Centre Grants** are provided to school jurisdictions outside of Edmonton and Calgary to support the equitable provision of film and related learning resources.
- **Instructional Resources Subsidy** assist school authorities by making basic learning resources available at subsidized prices.

- **Secondary Education Implementation Grants** are provided to school jurisdictions to assist them with the implementation of changes to the secondary education program curriculum.

- **School Food Services Program** has been set up to provide lunch programs to approximately 30 schools in Northern Alberta.

5.5.4. FINANCING

- **Community School Funding** is provided on a per designated school basis.

- **Regional Resource Centre Grants** are provided to rural school jurisdictions on a per student basis.

- **Instructional Resources Subsidy** of 25 percent applies to any print, non-print and software materials that are considered as basic learning resources.

- **Secondary Education Implementation Grants** are provided on a per secondary student basis to support the purchase of learning resources and to help cover the cost of teacher inservicing.

- **School Food Services Grant** is provided to Northland School Division to cover the cost of administering and delivering the school lunch programs.

See Provincial Funding Allocation Section 15.5.5.

5.5.5 TIME FRAME -- General Education Grants are ongoing programs under the School Grants Order funded by the general revenues of the province.

5.6 EARLY CHILDHOOD SERVICES

5.6.1 OBJECTIVES -- Early Childhood Services (ECS), or kindergarten is a voluntary program offered by school jurisdictions and private ECS operators. Provincial funding is provided to operators to support ECS programs that are designed to enhance individual abilities and which address the learning needs of each child before entrance into primary education.

5.6.2 ELIGIBILITY -- School jurisdictions, private schools and private ECS operators which provide an approved ECS program are eligible for funding.

5.6.3 DESCRIPTION

- **Basic Instruction Grants** enable operators to deliver ECS instructional programs which meet the learning needs of their students.

- **Transportation Grants** are provided to support the transportation of students to the ECS programs or for visits made by teachers to the child for in-home programs.
- **Special Education Programs** provide additional funding to ECS operators for the educational programs and services for mildly, moderately and severely disabled children.
- **Disadvantaged Area Grants** are provided to ECS operators in economically disadvantaged areas to assist in providing locally.initiated educational programs designed to compensate for the adverse conditions in which the children are raised.
- **Other ECS Grants** provided to operators include Language Grants, Small Centre Assistance, Canada Pension Plan Assistance and Capital Renovation Grants.

5.6.4 FINANCING

- **Basic Instruction Grants** are provided to approved ECS operators on a per student basis.
- **Transportation Grants** are provided on the basis of the number of round trips made by the student or teacher.
- **Special Education Programs** are funded on a per qualifying student basis for mild and moderately handicapped children and on a Program Unit basis for severely disabled children.
- **Disadvantaged Area Grants** are provided to ECS operators located in designated geographic areas on a per student basis.
- **Other ECS Grants** are based on the number of students enrolled in programs which qualify based on the specific grant conditions.

See Provincial Funding Allocation Section 15.5.6.

5.6.5 TIME FRAME -- Early Childhood Services Grants are an ongoing program under the School Grants Order funded by the general revenues of the province.

5.7 PRIVATE SCHOOL ASSISTANCE

5.7.1 OBJECTIVES -- Private schools are recognized by the Provincial Government as a valid alternative to public schools. To receive funding, the private schools must be accredited which means that they employ certified teachers and they either follow the Alberta curriculum or an alternative program approved by the Minister of Education.

5.7.2 **ELIGIBILITY** -- Private schools must be accredited to receive funding from the province.

5.7.3 DESCRIPTION

- **Basic Instruction Grants** provide support to accredited funded private schools for the instruction of students in elementary, junior high and senior high.
- **Resident Students of the Government** funding is available to private schools if they are providing an educational program to students who are classified as resident students of the government.
- **Extension Grants** are paid to private schools for delivering adult basic education programs or for programs offered outside of regular school hours.
- **Secondary Education Support Grants** are provided to private schools to assist them with the implementation of the revised Secondary Education Program curriculum.

5.7.4 FINANCING

- **Basic Instruction Grants** are paid on a per student basis at 75 percent of the rate provided to public schools. Senior High students are paid on a credit basis if they take less than a full course load.
- **Resident Students of the Government** funding pays the tuition fees of qualifying students or the net cost of the educational program for these students.
- **Extension Grants** are based on the number of course hours of extension programs delivered to the students.
- **Secondary Education Support Grants** are provided on a per secondary student basis to support the purchase of learning resources and to help cover the cost of teacher inservicing.

See Provincial Funding Allocation Section 15.5.7.

5.7.5 **TIME FRAME** -- Private School Assistance is an ongoing program funded by the general revenues of the province.

5.8 PROVINCIAL CONTRIBUTION TO THE TEACHERS' RETIREMENT FUND

5.8.1 **OBJECTIVE** -- Teachers' pensions are guaranteed by the Provincial Government. The province pays 50 percent of the benefits and administration costs while teachers are to contribute the other 50 percent.

5.8.2. **ELIGIBILITY** -- All certificated teachers paying into the Teachers' Pension Plan are eligible to receive pension benefits. Teachers from some approved private schools also participate. The Teachers' Retirement Fund administers the distribution of these benefits.

5.8.3 **DESCRIPTION** -- The Alberta Teachers' Retirement Fund is a public sector defined benefit pension plan with the benefits based on the plan member's length of service and their final average earnings.

5.8.4 **FINANCING** -- The Teachers' Retirement Fund receives compulsory contributions from teachers based on a percentage of their salary. The Provincial Government does not make matching contributions to the fund, but, rather contributes 50 percent of the annual pension benefits paid to retired teachers.

See Provincial Funding Allocation Section 15.5.8.

5.8.5 **TIME FRAME** -- Provincial contributions to the Teachers' Retirement Fund are funded by the general revenues of the province and are part of an ongoing obligation of the Provincial Government to fund teachers' pensions.

ALBERTA ENVIRONMENT

6.1 BITING FLY CONTROL FINANCIAL ASSISTANCE PROGRAM

6.1.1 **OBJECTIVES** -- To assist municipal governments in the initiation and/or improvement of Biting Fly Control Programs.

6.1.2 **ELIGIBILITY** -- This program is available to all municipal districts, who as a collective group, feel that their municipality has a serious biting fly infestation.

6.1.3 **DESCRIPTION** -- To be eligible for such grants, municipalities must submit an application for assistance to the Department of Environment prior to the commencement of their control programs, outlining proposed cost and methods of control. These proposals must be acceptable to the department.

All applications for assistance may be adjusted according to availability of department funds. Approved control programs will be subject to inspection. An annual report, including complete financial records, must be submitted by each municipality to the department at the end of the control program in order to receive financial assistance. A licensed Class L pesticide applicator must supervise each abatement program.

6.1.4 **FINANCING** -- Approved mosquito abatement programs will be funded in the following manner.

a) Municipalities whose population is less than 10,000 will be limited to $3 per capita for eligible expenses.

b) Municipalities whose population between 10,000 and 100,000 will be limited to $2 per capita for eligible expenses.

c) Municipalities whose population is greater than 100,000 will be limited to $1 per capita for eligible expenses.

Expenses which are considered eligible include 50% of all operating and equipment costs, excluding pesticides.

See Provincial Funding Allocation Section 15.6.1.

6.1.5 **TIME FRAME** -- This program was implemented in 1974 and is an ongoing program of the Provincial Government. There is no known termination date.

6.1.6 **REFERENCE** -- Department of Environment Act,..Chapter D-19 R.S.A. 1980

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6.2 ALBERTA WATER MANAGEMENT AND EROSION CONTROL PROGRAM

6.2.1 **OBJECTIVES** -- To provide technical and financial assistance for the enhancement and regional development of the province's water resources and to provide corrective measures where water creates conditions adverse to the public interest.

6.2.2 **ELIGIBILITY** -- This program is available to all Alberta local authorities.

6.2.3 **DESCRIPTION** -- Projects such as flood control and erosion control, water conservation and water based recreation may be initiated by a local authority, and a need for such a project must be established. Projects must be in the public interest and provide benefits to the general public or protect public investment. Detailed project planning and consideration of all aspects of water resources and environmental management must precede implementation. Normally, the local authority initiating the project is responsible for land acquisition, and operation and maintenance costs. In special cases the landowners may assume this responsibility or Alberta Environment may cost-share the operation and maintenance.

Agreements are entered into between the Minister of Environment (under the Water Resources Act) and the local authorities. Projects are funded on the basis of the budgetary priority for water management established by the government.

6.2.4 **FINANCING** -- Cost sharing on a 75/25% basis (Government funding up to 75%). The program also provides for 86/14% funding for projects which enhance the agricultural landbase or agricultural production.

See Provincial Funding Allocation Section 15.6.2.

6.2.5 **TIME FRAME** -- This is an ongoing program of the Provincial Government.

6.2.6 **REFERENCE** -- Department of Environment Act, Chapter D-19 R.S.A. 1980

6.2.7 **INFORMATION CONTACT**

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6.3 RESOURCE RECOVERY GRANT PROGRAM

6.3.1 **OBJECTIVES** -- The program provides financial assistance to municipalities and non-profit organizations for recycling and waste reduction activities. Grants are also available to fund feasibility studies on development of waste management systems in communities throughout the province. This program also encourages research into the development of new recycling markets and technologies.

6.3.2 **ELIGIBILITY** -- All municipalities in Alberta are eligible.

6.3.3 **DESCRIPTION** -- This is a Capital Grants Program. The Department will fund non-motorized equipment necessary for the separation and storage of recyclable marketable materials. There is no provision for operational costs.

6.3.4 **FINANCING** -- This program is funded 100% by the Provincial Government.

See Provincial Funding Allocation Section 15.6.3.

6.3.5 **TIME FRAME** -- This is an ongoing program initially implemented in 1976. Applications are accepted through the year and reviewed for funding on a quarterly basis. In general, funding will be forthcoming in the next fiscal year.

6.3.6 **REFERENCE** -- Department of Environment Act, Chapter D-19 R.S.A. 1980

6.3.7 **INFORMATION CONTACT**

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6.4 RECLAMATION PROGRAM FOR DERELICT LAND

6.4.1 **OBJECTIVES** -- To reclaim land that has been left idle since disturbance with the objective of making it as productive as it was prior to disturbance.

6.4.2 **ELIGIBILITY** -- The land in question must be owned by a public body or must be purchased by a public body.

6.4.3 **DESCRIPTION** -- Abandoned sites considered to be eligible include:

1) Coal mines or quarries.
2) Gravel pits.
3) Garbage dumps and sewage lagoons.
4) Refinery sites or other mineral processing plants.
5) Industrial sites.
6) Irrigation canals or man-made water reservoirs.
7) Roadways, airports, railroads.

It should be clear, of course, that the intent of the reclamation fund is to improve sites that were disturbed prior to legislation and the rise of public concern over environmental problems. Recently abandoned sites will be carefully reviewed by Department staff prior to acceptance as reclamation projects.

NOTE: All the above mentioned eligible sites must be municipally owned land.

Some commonly submitted proposals which are NOT included in the program are:

1) Natural or water filled low lying areas.
2) Agricultural operations.
3) Forestry operations.
4) Removal of car body stockpiles.
5) Picking up of scattered debris.
6) Erosion control resulting from agricultural and forestry operations, and municipal or provincial projects including road building and bridge construction.

6.4.4 **FINANCING** -- Reclamation Branch of Alberta Environment assumes all responsibilities for engineering, supervision, planning, hiring and paying contractors to complete reclamation projects.

See Provincial Funding Allocation Section 15.6.4.

6.4.5 **TIME FRAME** -- This is a program of the Provincial Government that has approval until 1993/94. Applications by municipalities can be made at any time during the year.

6.4.6 **REFERENCE** -- Department of Environment Act, Chapter D-19 R.S.A. 1980
Land Surface Conservation and Reclamation Act
Chapter L-3 R.S.A. 1980

6.4.7 **INFORMATION CONTACT**

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6.5 ALBERTA WASTE MANAGEMENT ASSISTANCE PROGRAM

6.5.1 **OBJECTIVES** -- To promote environmentally sound waste management throughout the province.

6.5.2 **ELIGIBILITY** -- Available to all rural and urban municipalities who form a regional authority consisting of two or more urban municipalities plus one or more rural municipalities.

6.5.3 **DESCRIPTION** -- The Province will provide land and capital funding for regional sanitary landfill sites and other facilities for waste management.

6.5.4 **FINANCING** -- The Province will pay 100% of the fair market value for land purchased by the regional authority for use as a sanitary landfill. Also, the Province will pay up to 100% of the initial capital costs of the waste management system. Annual operating costs are the responsibility of the regional authority.

See Provincial Funding Allocation Section 15.6.5.

6.5.5 **TIME FRAME** -- This is an ongoing program of the Provincial Government that was implemented in December 1975.

6.5.6 **REFERENCE** -- Department of Environment Act, Chapter D-19 R.S.A. 1980

6.5.7 **INFORMATION CONTACT**

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6.6 WASTE MINIMIZATION AND RECYCLING DEVELOPMENT PROGRAM

6.6.1. **OBJECTIVES** -- As a major component of the Alberta Action on Waste Initiative, increased funding under the Resource Recovery Grant Program will provide financial assistance to municipalities for recycling and waste reduction activities. Support will be available to municipalities for the preparation of regional integrated waste management plans and for the implementation of these plans. Projects which demonstrate the suitability of leading edge waste minimization and recycling technologies will be funded and conducted in partnership with other agencies and institutions where possible. The 1991/92 Municipal Waste Action Initiative is intended to build on existing programs in order to achieve the goal of a 50 percent reduction in municipal solid waste by the year 2000.

6.6.2 **ELIGIBILITY** -- All municipalities in Alberta are eligible.

6.6.3 **DESCRIPTION** -- For further information please contact the Information Contact listed below.

6.6.4 **FINANCING** -- For further information please contact the Information Contact listed below.

See Provincial Funding Allocation Section 15.6.6.

6.6.5 **TIME FRAME** -- The Resource Recovery Grant Program is an ongoing program initially implemented in 1976. The Alberta Action on Waste Municipal Funding Program commences during fiscal year 1991/92 as part of an overall waste management strategy.

6.6.6 **REFERENCE** -- Department of Environment Act, Chapter D-19 R.S.A. 1980

6.6.7 **INFORMATION CONTACT**

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ALBERTA FAMILY and SOCIAL SERVICES

7.1 ALBERTA DAY CARE PROGRAM

7.1.1 OBJECTIVES

1) To support the delivery of appropriate day care services in Alberta communities.

2) To ensure standards of care are maintained in accordance with legislation and approved policies.

3) To administer the Operating Allowance program and the Family Day Home Agency Administrative Fee program.

4) To provide financial support to low-income families requiring child care in order to work or secure training.

5) To provide opportunities for children with special needs to participate in regular preschool child care.

7.1.2 **ELIGIBILITY** -- Day Care is a provincially delivered and administered service for preschool children whose parents work, attend an educational institution, or the parent or child has special needs.

7.1.3 DESCRIPTION

- Program advice, administrative and funding support are provided to service providers and community groups.
- Provision of child care information and program development materials to day care community.
- Licensing and monitoring of day care facilities to ensure standards of the Day Care Regulation are met.
- Assistance with fees is available to families who qualify on the basis of income and need.
- Program consultation services and additional financial support are provided for children with special needs in day care.

7.1.4 FINANCING

- The Child Care Subsidy Program became effective August 1, 1980. It is provided to parents who qualify on the basis of income and need, to assist with costs of day care.
- The Operating Allowance Program and the Family Day Home Administration Fee Program became effective September 1, 1980. The operating allowance is paid to day care centres based on the number of enrolled spaces and is intended to offset the costs of providing child care.

The administration fee is paid to agencies which contract with Alberta Family and Social Services to recruit, train, monitor providers, as well as place children and fulfill other administrative functions.

See Provincial Funding Allocation Section 15.7.1.

7.1.5 **TIME FRAME** -- The Alberta Day Care Program came into effect July 1, 1978 and is an ongoing service.

7.1.6 **REFERENCE** --

Social Care Facilities Licensing Act, Chapter S-14 R.S.A. 1980
Social Development Act,.Chapter S-16 R.S.A. 1980
Department of Family and Social Services Act
Chapter D-27.1 R.S.A. 1980

7.1.7 **INFORMATION CONTACT**

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7.2 FAMILY AND COMMUNITY SUPPORT SERVICES

7.2.1 OBJECTIVES

1) The Family and Community Support Services (F.C.S.S.) Program is a provincial/municipal partnership which creates conditions and services that will foster and promote health and well being of its' citizens. Through the F.C.S.S. process, the community is able to identify its own needs and resources and, using volunteers where possible, establish programs to enhance the quality of individual, family and community life.

2) Major features include:

   - local autonomy in program development, priority and delivery,
   - 80% provincial and 20% municipal cost-sharing,
   - volunteer involvement,
   - early attention to problems before crises develop,
   - variety of approaches depending on unique community needs.

7.2.2 **ELIGIBILITY** -- All Albertans, including Treaty Indians, where the local government has entered an agreement with the Province to provide the service.

7.2.3 **DESCRIPTION** -- Each program develops differently to meet local requirements, but some general types of services have emerged such as:

Community - volunteer development, information and referral, community workers.

Family - counselling, family life education, parent-child development.

Home Support - homemakers, homehelp/handyman, meals-on-wheels, visiting.

Senior Citizen - social/recreational drop-in centres, outreach programs.

Youth - youth workers, outreach programs, youth clubs and school liaison work.

7.2.4 **FINANCING** -- The Province provides 80 percent advance per capita funding to municipalities in two components: Administration and Planning; F.C.S.S. Program Delivery.

See Provincial Funding Allocation Section 15.7.2.

7.2.5 **TIME FRAME** -- This is an ongoing program of the Provincial Government that has no known termination date.

7.2.6 **REFERENCE** -- Family and Community Support Services Act
Chapter F-1.1 R.S.A. 1981

7.2.7 **INFORMATION CONTACT**

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ALBERTA
MUNICIPAL AFFAIRS

8.1 INTEREST STABILIZATION GRANT

8.1.1 **OBJECTIVES** -- To stabilize interest charges on capital debentures issued by the Alberta Municipal Finance Corporation and Alberta Treasury.

8.1.2 ELIGIBILITY

1) Debentures issued under authority of by-laws for which the Local Authorities Board Certificate of Approval is dated March 28, 1983 or later will not be eligible for subsidy.
2) Debentures issued after March 31, 1982 will be subsidized for the first five years from date of debenture issue with the regular Alberta Municipal Finance Corporation rate being paid after five years.
3) All debentures must be issued prior to March 31, 1985 to receive subsidy.

8.1.3 **DESCRIPTION** -- Alberta municipalities need not apply for this grant. This program is administered directly by the Department of Municipal Affairs.

8.1.4 **FINANCING** -- The grant is paid each year in the month that the payment on the debenture becomes due. Payment is made in a calendar year not the government fiscal year.

See Provincial Funding Allocation Section 15.8.1.

8.1.5 **REFERENCE** -- Department of Municipal Affairs Act, Chapter D-25.1 R.S.A. 1986

8.1.6 **INFORMATION CONTACT**

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8.2 ALBERTA PARTNERSHIP TRANSFER PROGRAM (A.P.T.)

8.2.1 **OBJECTIVES** -- A new transfer program implemented in 1988 which consolidates individual payments previously made for Municipal Assistance, Municipal Police Assistance Grant and Public Transit Operating Assistance, into a single unconditional grant to all municipalities in Alberta. It allows municipalities a greater flexibility in dealing with local projects and programs.

8.2.2 **FINANCING** -- The total grant is paid in one lump sum during the month of May of each year.

See Provincial Funding Allocation Sections 15.8.2, (Municipal Assistance) 15.8.3, (Municipal Police Assistance Grant) 15.12.1, (Public Transit Operating Assistance) 15.14.1.3.

8.2.3 **TIME FRAME** -- This will be an ongoing provincial transfer program with no known termination date.

8.2.4 **REFERENCE** -- See program description as listed under appropriate section. eg. Municipal Police Assistance Grant, See Alberta Solicitor General.

8.2.5 **INFORMATION CONTACT**

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8.3 MUNICIPAL ASSISTANCE GRANT

8.3.1 **OBJECTIVES** -- Assisting Local Municipal Governments to continue to provide services to their citizens without undue increases in the local mill rate.

8.3.2 **ELIGIBILITY** -- This is an unconditional grant available to all municipal government units in the Province.

8.3.3 **DESCRIPTION** -- No application is necessary for this grant. Each year, the Province sets aside a sum of money to be known as the Municipal Assistance Grant to be distributed to Alberta municipalities calculated in accordance with an equitable grant formula.

8.3.4 **FINANCING** -- The grant is paid in one lump sum during the month of May of each year as part of the Alberta Partnership Transfer Program as listed in this section.

See Provincial Funding Allocation Section 15.8.3.

8.3.5 **TIME FRAME** -- This is an ongoing program of the Provincial Government that has no known termination date.

8.3.6 **REFERENCE** -- Property Tax Reduction Act, Chapter P-19 R.S.A. 1980

8.3.7 **INFORMATION CONTACT**

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8.4 PROPERTY TAX REDUCTION BENEFITS

8.4.1 **OBJECTIVES** -- To reduce the burden of property taxes on residential properties and farmland.

8.4.2 **ELIGIBILITY** -- Certain properties including single and multi-family residences, mobile homes and most farmland properties are eligible when determined to be the owner's principal residence.

8.4.3 **DESCRIPTION** -- A combined benefit exists whereby homeowners, without applying, have their entire Provincial Education Tax paid by the Provincial Government and dependent on qualifications may be eligible for an additional reduction to be applied against their municipal taxes. This additional reduction for homeowners over 65 years, widow/widowers' (60-64 years) whose deceased spouse was at least 65 and widow/widowers receiving a widows pension or additional benefits by qualifying under the Widows Pension Act is calculated as the difference between $1,000 or municipal taxes whichever is less and the Provincial Education Tax.

8.4.4 **FINANCING** -- The Provincial Government appropriates into the school foundation fund 100% of the total allowable school tax credits for that year.

The Provincial Government advances 80% of expected property tax reduction benefits (homeowners refunds) prior to program commencement and continually reimburses all homeowner refunds in excess of this prepaid amount. An administration fee per application, is paid to the municipality ongoing, as benefits are reimbursed.

See Provincial Funding Allocation Section 15.8.4.

8.4.5 **TIME FRAME** -- These programs were implemented January 1, 1973 and have no known termination date. Application may be made between May 1st of the current year and March 31st of the following year.

8.4.6 **REFERENCE** -- Property Tax Reduction Act, Chapter P-19 R.S.A. 1980

8.4.7 **INFORMATION CONTACT**

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8.5 SENIOR CITIZEN RENTER ASSISTANCE GRANT

8.5.1 **OBJECTIVES** -- Providing financial assistance to senior citizens who occupy rented living accommodation or who own and occupy a mobile home situated on rented land.

8.5.2 **ELIGIBILITY** -- Available to senior citizens 65 years of age and older or widow/widower's (60-64 years) whose deceased spouse was 65 years of age or older and eligible for a benefit or widow/widowers' (55-64 years) who are receiving a widow's pension or additional benefits by qualifying under the Widows Pension Act. Accommodation must have been rented in the Province for at least 120 days during the calendar year and applicants must not have received property tax benefits for that same year. Married couples may make only one application unless legally separated. Senior Citizens living in nursing homes, auxiliary hospitals or active treatment hospitals do not qualify for this grant.

8.5.3 **DESCRIPTION** -- Application forms for senior citizens renter assistance may be obtained at municipal offices, Alberta Treasury Branches, Senior Citizens Drop In Centres and Alberta Municipal Affairs offices.

8.5.4 **FINANCING** -- Assistance is in the form of a yearly grant. Levels of assistance currently provided are:

1) $1,200 to eligible seniors renting non-subsidized housing;
2) $600 to seniors renting subsidized accommodation; and
3) $1,000 to mobile homeowners renting the land or space for their home.

See Provincial Funding Allocation Section 15.8.5.

8.5.5 **TIME FRAME** -- This program was implemented January 1, 1973 and is an ongoing program of the Provincial Government. Applications may be made any time between May 1st of the current year and March 31st of the following year.

8.5.6 **REFERENCE** -- Property Tax Reduction Act, Chapter P-19 R.S.A. 1980

8.5.7 **INFORMATION CONTACT**

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8.6 SENIOR CITIZENS' SELF-CONTAINED APARTMENT PROJECT GRANTS

8.6.1 **OBJECTIVES** -- To provide financial assistance to all eligible municipalities in the form of yearly grants for senior citizens' self-contained apartment projects owned and operated by non-profit organizations. (Lodges are not included and for the purposes of this grant, municipalities are not considered non-profit organizations).

8.6.2 **ELIGIBILITY** -- Available to those municipalities in which senior citizens' self-contained apartment projects owned and operated by non-profit organizations are located.

8.6.3 **DESCRIPTION** -- Eligible municipalities are to submit Letters of Application in June of each year for each facility involved. Letters of Application will include the name of the owner, the name of the complex, legal description, street address, account number and certification of assessments. Municipalities will also provide the department with a copy of their yearly mill rate bylaw.

8.6.4 **FINANCING** -- Assistance will be in the form of yearly grants applied for in June of each tax year. The grant will not exceed the amount that would be recoverable for the municipal portion of the tax levy referred to in section 93 (1)(a), (b), (c), (e) and (h) of the Municipal Taxation Act if the senior citizens' self-contained apartment project was subject to the municipal tax for the year.

An amendment implemented in 1989 excludes the requisition under Section 93(1)(h) of the Municipal Taxation Act for Senior Citizen Housing Foundations from the grant calculation.

See Provincial Funding Allocation Section 15.8.6.

8.6.5 **TIME FRAME** -- This program was implemented in 1985 and has no known termination date.

8.6.6 **REFERENCE** -- Department of Municipal Affairs Act, Chapter D-25.1 R.S.A. 1986

8.6.7 **INFORMATION CONTACT**

Director, Grants and Subsidies Branch
Alberta Municipal Affairs
16th Floor, CityCentre Building
10155 - 102 Street
Edmonton, Alberta
T5J 4L4
Phone: 427-4877

8.7 MUNICIPAL ADMNISTRATION INTERNSHIP PROGRAM

8.7.1 **OBJECTIVES** -- To provide an experienced work force which municipalities can draw upon to meet the needs in the ever increasing complex world of municipal government administration.

8.7.2 **ELIGIBILITY** -- Available to a number of selected municipalities based on their ability to give an intern a broad perspective of municipal operations and to provide instruction and supervision without undue disruption to their normal operations.

8.7.3 **DESCRIPTION** -- Municipalities are invited to make application for participation in the program. A twelve month work plan which will provide an intern with exposure to all elements of municipal administration should be included with the application. Alberta Municipal Affairs acts as the facilitator in the hiring process and matches the successful candidates with selected municipalities.

The interns are temporary contract employees of the municipalities. Municipalities are reimbursed for one-half of the intern's basic salary of $1,850 per month by invoicing the Department. The program runs from June 1st to May 31st. Candidates must hold a degree or certificate from a secondary educational institution in: Business Administration, Public Administration, Commerce, Economics, or Political Science.

8.7.4 **FINANCING** -- Funding is provided through a special warrant process to the participating municipalities.

See Provincial Funding Allocation Section 15.8.7.

8.7.5 **TIME FRAME** -- This program cannot be considered to be an ongoing program. For this reason municipalities interested in participating in the program should make application by the end of February for the next program year.

8.7.6 **REFERENCE** -- Department of Municipal Affairs Act, Chapter D-25.1 R.S.A. 1986

8.7.7 **INFORMATION CONTACT**

Executive Director
Municipal Services Branch
Alberta Municipal Affairs
17th Floor, CityCentre Building
10155 - 102 Street
Edmonton, Alberta, T5J 4L4
Phone: 427-2523

8.8 ALBERTA MUNICIPAL PARTNERSHIP IN LOCAL EMPLOYMENT PROGRAM

8.8.1 **OBJECTIVES** -- To provide municipalities with unconditional funds that can be used for programs and projects determined at the local level. It is hoped that these funds will be used in ways that will generate local employment opportunities.

8.8.2 **ELIGIBILITY** -- This is an unconditional grant available to all municipalities in the Province and will be provided on a per capita basis.

8.8.3 **DESCRIPTION** -- No application is necessary for this grant. Alberta Municipal Affairs will calculate each municipality's grant until 1993 based on a per capita grant of $25.70 using 1987 population or a minimum grant of $3,500. From 1994 to 1996 the grant will be decreased each year. Municipalities will be informed of their grant entitlements early enough to enable them to plan and budget for their own local needs.

8.8.4 **FINANCING** -- The grant will be paid as an annual lump sum for the duration of the program.

See Provincial Funding Allocation section 15.8.8. Annual budget amounts are not available. Total program budget is $500,000,000.

8.8.5 **TIME FRAME** -- This program which began in 1987 and will operate until program completion in 1996.

8.8.6 **REFERENCE** -- Department of Municipal Affairs Act, Chapter D-25.1 R.S.A. 1986

8.8.7 **INFORMATION CONTACT**

Director, Grants and Subsidies Branch
Alberta Municipal Affairs
16th Floor, CityCentre Building
10155 - 102 Street
Edmonton, Alberta
T5J 4L4
Phone: 427-4877

8.9 ETHNO-CULTURAL PROVINCIAL SCHOOL LEVY ABATEMENT

8.9.1 **OBJECTIVES** -- To provide grants in the form of a rebate of the provincial school foundation levy (provincial education tax), to reduce the property taxes of eligible ethno-cultural organizations.

8.9.2 **ELIGIBILITY** -- Available to eligible ethno-cultural organizations with respect to ethno-cultural complexes excluding any portion licensed pursuant to the Liquor Control Act. Eligible ethno-cultural organizations are those incorporated under an Act of the Legislature or of the Parliament of Canada, as a non-profit organization having as its' purpose, the preservation and promotion of customs, language, social views or culture.

8.9.3 **DESCRIPTION** -- Ethno-cultural organizations are mailed an application in July of each tax year. Applications will be completed and signed by the President or Treasurer and will also include a copy of the current year tax notice, official receipt showing tax payment on the property, and, copy of the certificate of incorporation and the by-laws of the organization.

8.9.4 **FINANCING** -- Assistance will be in the form of a yearly grant upon application in July of each year. The grant will rebate the provincial school foundation levy (provincial education tax) with respect to ethno-cultural complexes excluding any portion licensed pursuant to the Liquor Control Act. In the event taxes have not been paid for the taxation year for which a grant is payable, the grant will be paid to the municipality.

See Provincial Funding Allocation Section 15.8.9.

8.9.5 **TIME FRAME** -- This program was implemented in 1986 and has no known termination date.

8.9.6 **REFERENCE** -- Department of Municipal Affairs Act, Chapter D-25.1 R.S.A. 1986

8.9.7 **INFORMATION CONTACT**

Director, Grants and Subsidies Branch
Alberta Municipal Affairs
16th Floor, CityCentre Building
10155 - 102 Street
Edmonton, Alberta
T5J 4L4
Phone: 427-4877

8.10 HOUSING REGISTRY PROGRAM

8.10.1 **OBJECTIVES** -- To promote the establishment and maintenance of housing registries which will assist households with housing problems to find appropriate housing, and document information related to the housing problems of such households.

8.10.2 **DESCRIPTION** -- The groups operating the registries apply yearly for funding based on their operating needs. A contract is then drawn up between the parties and payment made accordingly. There are ten housing registries funded by Alberta Municipal Affairs at this time.

Edmonton - Senior Citizens' Housing Registry operated by Society for the Retired and Semi-Retired;

- Handicapped Housing Registry operated by the Handicapped Housing Society of Alberta;
- Operation Friendship for hard-to-house persons;
- Boyle Street Community Services Co-op for hard-to-house persons; and
- Native and Rural Housing Registry operated by the Metis Womens Council of Edmonton.

Calgary - Senior Citizens' Housing Registry operated by the Kerby Centre and;

- Handicapped Housing Registry operated by the Accessible Housing Society;
- Connection Housing Society for hard-to-house persons.

Lethbridge - Senior Citizens' Housing Registry operated by the City of Lethbridge.

Medicine Hat - Senior Citizens' Housing Registry operated by the City of Medicine Hat.

8.10.3 **FINANCING** -- Annual grants are provided to the approved groups that operate the registries.

See Provincial Funding Allocation Section 15.8.10.

8.10.4 **TIME FRAME** -- The program was implemented in 1976 and has no established termination date.

8.10.5 **REFERENCE** -- Department of Municipal Affairs Act, Chapter D-25.1 R.S.A. 1986
Housing Grants Regulation, Schedule 10.

8.10.6 **INFORMATION CONTACT**

Grants Administration
Grants and Technical Support
Alberta Municipal Affairs
16th Floor, CityCentre Building
10155 - 102 Street
Edmonton, Alberta, T5J 4L4
Phone: 427-8161

8.11 UNIQUE HOMES ASSISTANCE PROGRAM

8.11.1 **OBJECTIVES** -- To provide grants to eligible private senior citizen homes to pay a portion of their operating deficits.

8.11.2 **ELIGIBILITY** -- Eligible homes are those which:

- provide lodge-type accommodations;
- are occupied primarily by senior citizens;
- are owned and/or managed by non-profit organizations;
- provide a level of care which falls between that in senior citizen lodges and nursing homes;
- do not quality for assistance under the Nursing Home Act or the Senior Citizen Housing Act (i.e. contract nursing homes and foundation-managed lodges are ineligible); and
- have justifiable deficits as described below.

8.11.3 **FINANCING** -- Eligible Homes submit an application yearly. The amount of grant is calculated based on a formula which reimburses a portion of the Home's justifiable deficit up to a maximum. Justifiable deficits are defined as the deficits resulting from the shortfall between revenues from patient contributions and other income, and the eligible costs of care and services.

See Provincial Funding Allocation Section 15.8.11.

8.11.4 **TIME FRAME** -- This program is an on-going program with no scheduled date of termination. Yearly applications are submitted and contracts drawn up accordingly.

8.11.5 **REFERENCE** -- Department of Municipal Affairs Act, Chapter D-25.1 R.S.A. 1986
Housing Grants Regulation, Schedule 10.

8.11.6 **INFORMATION CONTACT**

Grants Administration
Grants and Technical Support
Alberta Municipal Affairs
16th Floor, CityCentre Building
10155 - 102 Street
Edmonton, Alberta
T5J 4L4
Phone: 427-8161

8.12 HOME ADAPTATION PROGRAM

8.12.1 **OBJECTIVES** -- To promote the modification of existing housing and the construction of new housing to accommodate occupancy by wheelchair users and to facilitate access into and within the home for wheelchair users.

8.12.2 **ELIGIBILITY** -- The Grant is available to homeowners, tenants and landlords who are or have a wheelchair user or a person with severe mobility disability who will eventually require the use of a wheelchair, residing in their home. The applicant must have resided in Alberta for at least one year prior to making an application, and have an adjusted gross household income (AGI) of $30,000 or less for the previous calendar year. There are additional deductions of $4,000 for a spouse and $300 per dependent child.

8.12.3 **DESCRIPTION** -- Grants will be made for permanent modifications which facilitate access by wheelchair users to their home or movement by wheelchair users in their home. Only one person per household may apply for assistance. Tenants must obtain their landlord's approval of their proposal for modifying their home.

Landlords who are willing to make modifications to an existing residential building to accommodate one or more wheelchair users or who are willing to construct residential accommodation containing units for wheelchair users must agree to endeavor to rent modified units to eligible tenants.

8.12.4 **FINANCING** -- Approved applicants may receive a grant of up to $5,000 for each housing unit which is modified. The grant must be used within three years of the date of approval.

See Provincial Funding Allocation Section 15.8.12.

8.12.5 **TIME FRAME** -- This program commenced January 1, 1990 and has no scheduled termination date.

8.12.6 **REFERENCE** -- Department of Municipal Affairs Act, Chapter D-25.1 R.S.A. 1986
Housing Grants Regulation, Schedule 1.

8.12.7 **INFORMATION CONTACT**

Grants Administration
Grants and Technical Support
Alberta Municipal Affairs
16th Floor, CityCentre Building
10155 - 102 Street
Edmonton, Alberta
T5J 4L4
Phone: 427-8161

8.13 SENIORS' INDEPENDENT LIVING PROGRAM

8.13.1 **OBJECTIVES** -- To provide financial assistance to low and moderate income senior citizen homeowners to repair and improve their homes. The program replaces the Seniors' Home Improvement Program Extension which terminated on December 31, 1989.

8.13.2 ELIGIBILITY

Applicant - In order to qualify for assistance applicants must:

- be 65 years of age or older, or be a widow(er) aged 55 or older;
- be an Alberta homeowner;
- be a Canadian citizen or landed immigrant;
- be a resident in Canada for at least 3 years;
- be a resident in Alberta for a minimum of one year prior to application for the grant;
- be a resident in his/her home for at least nine months per year; and
- have an household income of $25,000 or less per year.

NOTE: A $2,000 spousal deduction from total annual household income exists for married couples living together in the same home.

Dwelling - The dwelling must be:

- located in Alberta;
- the applicant's principal residence; and
- owned by the applicant.

If there is more than one dwelling unit in the building, only the unit occupied by the applicant is eligible for repair or improvement.

8.13.3 DESCRIPTION -- Eligible individuals submit applications to the Home Improvement Office. An application to the program will include the name of the applicant and co-applicant, the address of the property and the applicants' total combined household income.

Grants of up to $4,000 are available (depending upon income and previous benefits received under the Seniors' Home Improvement Program or its Extension). The minimum grant available is $1,000.

There are three ways to use the grant money:

1) For permanent repairs and improvements to the home.

2) 5% of the grant funds may be used towards minor repairs and maintenance such as lawn maintenance and snow removal.

3) Up to $700 of the grant money may be used towards the purchase of an approved medical alert unit from an approved medical alert agency.

8.13.4 FINANCING -- A special bank account is set up at the branch of a participating financial institution designated by the applicant. The initial grant amount in the account is based on the combined gross income of all resident homeowners and spouses in the preceding year.

Household Income for Previous Calendar year	Amount of Grant for Eligible Homeowners
$19,000 or less receiving the Alberta Assured Income Plan Benefits	$4,000
$19,001 to $22,000	$2,000
$22,001 to $25,000	$1,000

This grant must be used within four years from the date of approval. After the four years have elapsed the account is closed and any remaining balance is returned to the Province.

Withdrawals from this special bank account must meet the following conditions:

- Only those eligible items and services purchased after grant approval will be eligible for payment.
- Eligible work means permanent repairs or improvements to a dwelling or garage, including labour and material costs. (For a complete listing, please refer to the program brochure).

See Provincial Funding Allocation Section 15.8.13.

8.13.5 **TIME FRAME** -- This program was implemented on January 1, 1990. Applicants have until December 31, 1993 to submit applications for this program.

8.13.6 **REFERENCE** -- Department of Municipal Affairs Act, Chapter D-25.1 R.S.A. 1986
Housing Grants Regulation, Schedule 3.2.

8.13.7 **INFORMATION CONTACT** -- Applications are available from the Home Improvement Office or from participating financial institutions.

Seniors' Independent Living Program
Grants and Technical Support
Alberta Municipal Affairs
Main Floor, Devonian Building
11156 Jasper Avenue
Edmonton, Alberta
T5J 3B8
Phone: 427-5760 or Call Zenith 22093

8.14 SENIORS' EMERGENCY MEDICAL ALERT PROGRAM

8.14.1 **OBJECTIVES** -- To assist low and moderate income senior citizen renters to live more independently by providing grant assistance to purchase medical alert units for home use.

8.14.2 **ELIGIBILITY** -- An eligible individual:

- Is a senior citizen 65 years of age or older or a widow/widower 55 years of age or older;
- Lives in rental accommodation in Alberta for at least nine months of the year;
- Is a Canadian citizen or landed immigrant who has lived in Canada for at least three years and in Alberta for one or more years; and
- Receives Alberta Assured Income Plan benefits or has a household income of $25,000 or less for the previous calendar year.

8.14.3 **DESCRIPTION** -- The senior citizen renter submits an application to the Seniors' Emergency Medical Alert Program. This application is reviewed and if the client meets all the eligibility criteria they are sent a letter of approval. This letter contains an authorization number and identifies all approved medical alert agencies in their area. The client selects the agency and equipment preferred.

The Seniors' Emergency Medical Alert Program is relying on participating non-profit and commercial medical alert agencies to provide the medical alert equipment and services to clients of the Seniors' Emergency Medical Alert Program, Seniors' Independent Living Program, and Home Adaptation Program.

Agencies apply to become an approved Agency. If the agency meets all the program standards for service and equipment they are approved and a contract is signed between the agency and the department. A non-profit agency may also apply for the agency grant to assist with start-up/expansion costs

The department provides grant assistance for the cost of the actual equipment needed in the home and sets standards for the services and products provided by the medical alert agencies. Installation costs, monthly subscription fees and maintenance costs are the responsibility of the client.

8.14.4 **FINANCING** -- Approved applicants may receive a grant of up to $700 to purchase a medical alert unit. The grant must be used within six months of the date of approval.

Approved Agencies: The program also provides grants of up to $20,000 to non-profit medical alert agencies for capital expenditures associated with the expansion or development of a medical alert network

See Provincial Funding Allocation Section 15.8.14.

8.14.5 **TIME FRAME** -- This program was implemented on January 1, 1990 and has no scheduled termination date.

8.14.6 **REFERENCE** -- Department of Municipal Affairs Act, Chapter D-25.1 R.S.A. 1986
Housing Grants Regulation, Schedule 11

8.14.7 **INFORMATION CONTACT**

Seniors' Emergency Medical Alert Program
Box 3040
Edmonton, Alberta
T5J 4L7
Phone: 422-1809

8.15 RURAL HOME ASSISTANCE PROGRAM

8.15.1 **OBJECTIVES** -- To assist families in designated communities to build or repair their own homes. The program involves local community management of the housing construction program and individual family participation in construction. Housing assistance is currently provided in remote communities where conventional financing for housing is not available.

8.15.2 **ELIGIBILITY** -- Remote communities are selected annually for housing assistance on the basis of the following criteria:

- fluctuating incomes that preclude obtaining conventional mortgage financing;
- overall housing needs;
- the availability of other housing assistance programs;
- the community's willingness and ability to administer a local housing construction program;
- the willingness of individual families to contribute to the construction of the dwellings; and

Communities must establish a registered non-profit Housing Association to be eligible.

Residents of designated communities are deemed eligible if they meet the following requirements:

- be recommended by the local Housing Association;
- are households with at least one dependent, or senior citizen;
- are recognized community residents and own, lease or have permission to build on land;
- are households with low annual incomes; and
- are households living in poor housing conditions.
- are required to make a "sweat equity" contribution to the construction of the home.

8.15.3 **FINANCING** -- Housing assistance is available to local Housing Associations for the following purposes:

- to purchase materials for new home construction;
- to purchase materials for repair of structurally sound existing dwellings. Grant amounts can be provided up to a maximum of 50% of a new home grant;
- to provide roughed-in plumbing and/or the connection of a house to existing water and sewer services (through the Northern Water and Sewer Program). The installation of complete indoor sanitary facilities may also be provided to an applicant for medical reasons.

See Provincial Funding Allocation Section 15.8.15.

8.15.4 **TIME FRAME** -- This program was implemented in 1977 and has no known termination date.

8.15.5 **REFERENCE** -- Department of Municipal Affairs Act
Chapter D-25.1 R.S.A. 1986

8.15.6 **INFORMATION CONTACT** -- See list of Alberta Municipal Affairs district offices at the end of this section.

8.16 RURAL AND NATIVE HOUSING PROGRAM

8.16.1 **OBJECTIVES** -- To provide modest, affordable home ownership and rental accommodation to low and moderate income families in small rural communities.

8.16.2 **ELIGIBILITY** -- Families may be eligible for Rural and Native Housing Program assistance if they meet all of the following eligibility requirements:

- a family is defined as at least one parent with at least one child;
- senior citizen couples and families with disabled persons also may be eligible;
- the family must need improved housing. Priority is given to those families which can demonstrate the greatest need for improved housing;
- the family's total annual income must fall within established maximum income limits;
- under the rental option, families must meet the above 4 requirements;
- under the ownership option, the family must be able to make a down payment of at least $1,000 towards the purchase of the home. The down payment may be in the form of cash, or in the value of land owned by the family; and
- the family must have a good credit rating, and be able to make regular monthly mortgage payments.

The family must reside, or intend to reside in a rural community or area designated for assistance under the program.

Either new or existing housing, which meets the following standards, may be eligible.

Existing Housing:

- must be structurally sound and in a state of good repair;
- must be modest in terms of size and extra options; and,

- must be priced within program guidelines.

New Housing:

- the maximum finished floor area for the home is approximately 1,000 square feet (92.9 square meters); and,

- homes with extra options such as fireplaces, decks, patio doors, bow and bay windows are not eligible.

Under the ownership option, the family is responsible for locating their own land for a home. The land must meet Alberta Municipal Affairs servicing cost and size guidelines.

8.16.3 **FINANCING** -- The family receives a subsidized mortgage or subsidized rental payments. The monthly mortgage payment is based upon 25 percent of a family's monthly income, and includes property taxes. The minimum monthly payment is $100. The family also receives a heating allowance. The subsidy is cost-shared on a 75/25% basis by CMHC and Alberta Municipal Affairs respectively.

See Provincial Funding Allocation Section 15.8.16.

8.16.4 **TIME FRAME** -- This program was implemented in 1974 and has no known termination date.

8.16.5 **REFERENCE** -- Department of Municipal Affairs Act
Chapter D-25.1 R.S.A. 1986

8.16.6 **INFORMATION CONTACT** -- See list of Alberta Municipal Affairs district offices at the end of this section.

8.17 RURAL EMERGENCY HOME PROGRAM

8.17.1 **OBJECTIVES** -- To provide emergency housing for low income rural families and senior citizens whose homes:

- have been destroyed by fire or flood;

- are structurally unsafe and beyond repair; and

- are overcrowded.

8.17.2 **ELIGIBILITY** -- Families must meet all of the following criteria to be considered for an emergency home:

- the family must need emergency housing;

- the family must consist of at least one parent and one child, senior citizen, couples with no dependents also may qualify;
- the family's adjusted income must be less than $18,000 a year; and
- the family must be permanent residents in the community;
- no other appropriate accommodation is available.

8.17.3 **FINANCING** -- Emergency homes are single-wide mobile homes. The homes may be new or used and include a porch. Alberta Municipal Affairs hooks up services that are available at the site.

The homes are provided on a rental basis. The rent is between $100 and $200 per month, depending on the family's adjusted income.

The home can be purchased any time after the family moves in. The purchase price of the home is determined by the age of the home at the time of initial occupancy. The family may purchase their home by paying the remaining balance in a lump sum or by making monthly rental payments as per the payment schedule, and at the end of the schedule, purchase the unit for the sum of $1. In either case, rental payments and/or other costs owing to the division must be up-to-date.

The purchase of the home does not include the land on which the home is situated.

See Provincial Funding Allocation Section 15.8.17.

8.17.4 **TIME FRAME** -- This program was implemented in 1985 and has no known termination date.

8.17.5 **REFERENCE** -- Department of Municipal Affairs Act
Chapter D-25.1 R.S.A. 1986

8.17.6 **INFORMATION CONTACT** -- See list of Alberta Municipal Affairs district offices at the end of this section.

8.18 RURAL EMERGENCY HOME PROGRAM (ON INDIAN RESERVES)

8.18.1 **OBJECTIVES** -- To extend the Rural Emergency Home Program to Indian Reserves where an emergency housing situation exists, and where the Band does not have the financial capability to meet their own housing requirements.

8.18.2 **ELIGIBILITY** -- Reserves designated by the federal government are eligible. Indian and Northern Affairs Canada, in consultation with the Bands, determines those reserves which will have priority for assistance under the program.

Families with an urgent housing need (as defined under the Rural Emergency Home Program), with annual adjusted incomes below $18,000 are eligible.

8.18.3 **FINANCING** -- Single-wide mobile homes are provided with hook-up to services available at the site. Alberta Municipal Affairs sells the homes to Indian Bands at cost, plus delivery and installation costs. The Bands must repay these costs on a regular monthly basis at a minimum rate of $200 per month, per unit, until total costs are repaid. No interest is charged on the balance owing.

Indian and Northern Affairs Canada guarantees repayment to Alberta Municipal Affairs. Bands are responsible for home maintenance, but Alberta Municipal Affairs will train Band staff in this area. Bands establish rental rates for individual households.

Budget amounts included under Rural Emergency Home Program.

8.18.4 **TIME FRAME** -- This program was implemented in 1985 and has no known termination date.

8.18.5 **REFERENCE** -- Department of Municipal Affairs Act
Chapter D-25.1 R.S.A. 1986

8.18.6 **INFORMATION CONTACT** -- See list of Alberta Municipal Affairs district offices at the end of this section.

8.19 COMMUNITY HOUSING PROGRAM

8.19.1 **OBJECTIVES** -- To provide subsidized rental housing for low and moderate income families, senior citizens, wheelchair users, or individuals who cannot afford private-sector accommodation.

8.19.2 **ELIGIBILITY** -- All communities are eligible for community housing. Demonstration of need is determined by a feasibility study undertaken by the Alberta Municipal Affairs. The sponsor of Community Housing Projects is normally the local municipality.

8.19.3 **DESCRIPTION** -- Management and tenant selection are delegated to a local Housing Authority whose members are recommended by a nominating committee consisting of Municipal, Provincial and sometimes Federal representation and appointed by Provincial Ministerial Order. Tenants are selected on the basis of need, as determined by income, assets and housing condition. The municipality applies directly to Alberta Municipal Affairs for units. The Department reviews and researches submissions and establishes priorities which Alberta Municipal Affairs approves within the framework of the annual budget.

8.19.4 **FINANCING** -- Alberta Municipal Affairs provides capital financing and coordinates construction of the units. Canada Mortgage and Housing Corporation (CMHC) provides subsidies equal to 70 percent of annual project operating deficits, including amortization costs for projects built after 1985.

Municipalities and Alberta Municipal Affairs provide subsidies for the remaining portion of the annual project operating deficits.

See Provincial Funding Allocation Section 15.8.19.

8.19.5 **TIME FRAME** -- Community housing is an ongoing joint program of the Federal, Provincial and Municipal Governments.

8.19.6 **REFERENCE** -- Alberta Mortgage and
Housing Corporation Act
Chapter A-32.5 R.S.A. 1984

8.19.7 **FURTHER INFORMATION** -- Contact the local housing authority or nearest district Alberta Municipal Affairs office at the addresses listed in the back of this section. Applications for additional units based on unmet housing need should be directed to Alberta Municipal Affairs.

8.20 SENIOR CITIZENS LODGE PROGRAM

8.20.1 **OBJECTIVES** -- To provide housing for Alberta's senior citizens at affordable rates in rural and urban areas. Lodges offer accommodation including single or double bedrooms, meals, housekeeping services and recreational facilities.

8.20.2 **ELIGIBILITY** -- The sponsor for a lodge is the Municipal Lodge Foundations with representatives from participating municipalities in the area who manage and operate lodges.

8.20.3 **DESCRIPTION** -- Under the revised 1988 mandate, the purpose of the lodge program is to provide affordable room and board for senior citizens who are functionally independent with the assistance available through existing community-based services and who would not otherwise be appropriately cared for in a health care facility. An accommodation charge covers meals and housekeeping services. Rates as of April 1st, 1991 are:

Single Occupancy Room	$514/month
Double Occupancy Room	$462/month
Double Room with single occupant	$601/month
Single Cottage Unit	$211/month
Double Cottage Unit	$308/month

Temporary accommodation is also available in some lodges through a Vacation Relief Program.

The administrative and financial responsibility for lodges is vested in the local Lodge Foundation. The Foundation Board is responsible for the hiring of staff and the management of the daily operation of the lodge.

8.20.4 **FINANCING** -- Alberta Municipal Affairs provides capital financing and an annual grant to assist foundations with operating deficits and coordinates construction of the units.

Once the project is constructed, the Foundation becomes responsible for all operating costs, excluding amortization of the capital cost. Foundations may receive provincial government grants to help offset operating deficits through the Lodge Assistance Program.

Lodges committed prior to 1986 are fully financed by Alberta. For lodges committed in 1986 or after, Alberta Municipal Affairs and Canada Mortgage and Housing Corporation share either the operating deficits on the shelter component, including amortization of capital costs, or cost-share an interest write-down on the capital costs. These costs are shared 70%/30% by Canada Mortgage and Housing Corporation and Alberta Municipal Affairs respectively. Municipal Foundations are responsible for the operating expenses, a portion of which are offset by a lodge assistance grant from Alberta Municipal Affairs.

See Provincial Funding Allocation Section 15.8.20.

8.20.5 **TIME FRAME** -- This is an ongoing program of the Provincial and Municipal Governments, with some Federal assistance for lodges constructed in 1986 and later.

8.20.6 **REFERENCE** -- Alberta Mortgage and Housing Corporation Act,..Chapter A-32.5 R.S.A. 1984
Senior Citizens Housing Act, Chapter S-13 R.S.A. 1980

8.20.7 **FURTHER INFORMATION** -- For information on accommodation contact the Lodge Foundation or the nearest Alberta Municipal Affairs district office listed in the back of this section. Applications for new or expanded lodges should be directed to Alberta Municipal Affairs.

8.21 LODGE ASSISTANCE PROGRAM

8.21.1 **OBJECTIVES** -- The Lodge Assistance Program provides financial assistance to lodge foundations to reduce lodge operating deficits thereby reducing the contributions required by the member municipalities of respective Foundations.

8.21.2 **ELIGIBILITY** -- Any foundation operating a senior citizens lodge pursuant to Section 9 of the Senior Citizens Housing Act is eligible for assistance for a portion of the operating deficits.

8.21.3 **DESCRIPTION** -- A foundation applying for the Lodge Assistance Grant is required to submit an audited financial statement of the lodge's operating costs to Alberta Municipal Affairs. In addition, the foundation must complete an application showing the latest equalized assessments of all the contributing municipalities.

8.21.4 **FINANCING** -- Assistance is provided in the form of a grant from Alberta Municipal Affairs to cover a portion of any operating deficits. The amount of assistance is determined on the basis of the documented financial statements of the lodge and the total equalized assessment of the foundation for the year in which the deficits occurred.

Funding ranges from 25 percent to 50 percent of the lodge foundation's operating deficits, but Alberta Municipal Affairs does not finance the portion of the deficits which is in excess of 35 percent of the foundation's total expenditures.

See Provincial Funding Allocation Section 15.8.21.

8.21.5 LODGE EXTENDED WARRANTY AND RENOVATION ASSISTANCE

Upon application, Alberta Municipal Affairs will provide financial assistance to Senior Citizens Lodge Foundations to correct design or construction deficiencies beyond the time of the builder's warranty, or to upgrade safety systems in lodges as required.

8.21.6 **FINANCING** -- See Provincial Funding Allocation Section 15.8.21.

8.21.7 **TIME FRAME** -- Both are ongoing programs of the Provincial Government.

8.21.8 **REFERENCE** -- Alberta Mortgage and Housing Corporation Act, Chapter A-32.5 R.S.A. 1984
Senior Citizens Housing Act, Chapter S-13 R.S.A. 1980

8.21.9 **FURTHER INFORMATION** -- The Lodge Foundation should submit an application with its audited financial statements to the nearest Alberta Municipal Affairs district office.

8.22 SENIOR CITIZENS SELF-CONTAINED PROGRAM

8.22.1 **OBJECTIVES** -- To provide affordable accommodation for low to moderate income senior citizens who cannot afford or obtain adequate housing for their needs.

8.22.2 **ELIGIBILITY** -- The sponsor of a self-contained project may be a non-profit organization which includes a municipality, a foundation or an organization constituted exclusively for charitable or benevolent purposes.

8.22.3 **DESCRIPTION** -- A non-profit society must be registered under The Societies Act of Alberta, and may include church groups, service clubs and other organizations. The sponsor is responsible for collecting information on the need for self-contained units in their area and contacting the Alberta Municipal Affairs. Subsequent to construction, the sponsoring organization is responsible for the management and maintenance of the project. This mandate includes tenant application and selection.

Tenants must meet eligibility guidelines for acceptance. One year residency in Alberta immediately prior to application or ten years previous residency in Alberta is required. Allocation of units to tenants is prioritized according to income, assets and housing condition. Rent is based on 25 percent of a tenant's or couple's income.

8.22.4 **FINANCING** -- Alberta Municipal Affairs provides capital financing and coordinates construction of the units. The Province also provides an annual subsidy contribution which ranges from 30 to 100 percent of project operating deficits.

Canada Mortgage and Housing Corporation (CMHC) provides an annual subsidy contribution up to 70 percent of project operating deficits.

Non-profit sponsoring organizations are responsible for property management and maintenance of the units.

See Provincial Funding Allocation Section 15.8.22.

8.22.5 **TIME FRAME** -- This is an ongoing program of the Provincial and Federal governments.

8.22.6 **REFERENCE** -- Alberta Mortgage and Housing Corporation Act, Chapter A-32.5 R.S.A. 1984
Senior Citizens Housing Act, Chapter S-13 R.S.A. 1980

8.22.7 **FURTHER INFORMATION** -- Regarding accommodation, contact the project or an Alberta Municipal Affairs office at any of the addresses listed in the back of this section. Applications for new projects, indicating unmet housing need, should be directed to Alberta Municipal Affairs.

8.23 RENT SUPPLEMENT PROGRAM

8.23.1 **OBJECTIVES** -- To provide affordable rental accommodation for people in need of housing.

8.23.2 **ELIGIBILITY** -- Any household in need is eligible.

8.23.3 **DESCRIPTION** -- Alberta Municipal Affairs may provide affordable accommodation in provincially-owned properties, private-sector buildings or federally-funded housing co-operatives.

Management and tenant selection may be delegated to a local housing authority or be handled by Alberta Municipal Affairs or a housing co-operative. Priority is given to those in greatest need, such as people living in poor or overcrowded conditions, paying a high percentage of their earnings as rent and unable to afford appropriate private sector housing in their area.

8.23.4 **FINANCING** -- The program utilizes existing housing units with the rent supplement based on the difference between the market rent and 25 percent of family income. This difference is shared 70 percent by Canada Mortgage and Housing Corporation and 30 percent by Alberta Municipal Affairs.

See Provincial Funding Allocation Section 15.8.23.

8.23.5 **TIME FRAME** -- This is an ongoing program of the Provincial and Federal Governments.

8.23.6 **REFERENCE** -- Alberta Mortgage and Housing Corporation Act, Chapter A-32.5 R.S.A. 1984

8.23.7 **FURTHER INFORMATION** -- Contact the nearest Alberta Municipal Affairs district office at the addresses listed in the back of this section. Cooperatives interested in the program should contact Canada Mortgage and Housing Corporation.

8.24 NON-PROFIT NATIONAL HOUSING ACT PROGRAMS

8.24.1 **OBJECTIVES** -- To assist private and public non-profit organizations to develop and manage housing for individuals with special requirements whose unmet housing need is difficult to respond to under existing programs.

8.24.2 **ELIGIBILITY** -- Municipalities, lodge foundations and registered non-profit organizations are eligible. The organization must have the ability to develop and operate a residential project and be ineligible for capital funding under other social housing programs. If required, the sponsor group must be able to secure operating funding for support service costs from private or other government source.

8.24.3 **DESCRIPTION** -- The Special Purpose Housing Program provides a mortgage interest rate write-down to two percent annually for emergency and transitional housing for people with physical, mental or behavioral conditions.

The Private or Public Non-profit Housing Programs subsidize the operating deficits of projects owned either by private non-profit organizations or publicly and serving people in need of low-cost housing. The financing can be used to construct, purchase and/or renovate a facility. Financing is not available for projects which are already operating or are receiving other ongoing assistance.

8.24.4 **FINANCING** -- Under the Special Purpose Housing Program and Private Non-profit Housing Program, Alberta Municipal Affairs may provide a 35-year mortgage for up to 100 percent of the projects' capital costs. The loan is provided through debentures from the Alberta Heritage Savings Trust Fund. The capital costs of Public Non-profit Housing projects are financed by Alberta Municipal Affairs through debenture borrowings from the Alberta Heritage Savings Trust Fund.

Special Purpose Housing projects receive a mortgage subsidy, equivalent to a reduction in the mortgage interest rate to 2 percent per year. The Province subsidizes the operating deficits of projects developed under the Private or Public Non-profit Housing Programs.

Alberta Municipal Affairs and Canada Mortgage and Housing Corporation share the cost of providing the subsidies on a 30%/70% basis respectively.

See Provincial Funding Allocation Section 15.8.24.

8.24.5 **TIME FRAME** -- The private non-profit program is an ongoing program of the Provincial and Federal governments. The Special Purpose Program terminates after 1993.

8.24.6 **REFERENCE** -- Alberta Mortgage and Housing Corporation Act, Chapter A-32.5 R.S.A. 1984

8.24.7 **FURTHER INFORMATION** -- See Alberta Municipal Affairs District Office list at the back of this section.

8.25 ALBERTA MUNICIPAL AFFAIRS HOUSING PROGRAM DISTRICT OFFICES

GRANDE PRAIRIE REGION

Grande Prairie
9909 - 102 Street
214 Place
T8V 2V4
Phone: 539-4801
Fax: 539-9240

High Level
2nd Floor
Provincial building
Box 3027
T0H 1Z0
Phone: 926-4486
Fax: 926-3336

High Prairie
Bag #2
T0G 1E0
Phone: 523-6540
Fax: 523-6546

Peace River
9621 - 96 Avenue
Bag # 900 - 45
T8S 1T4
Phone: 624-6397
Fax: 624-6552

Slave Lake
2nd Floor, SLD Building
201 - 1st Street N.E.
T0G 2A0
Phone: 849-7250
Fax: 849-7297

EDMONTON REGION

Edmonton
9405 - 50 Street
T6B 2T4
Phone: 422-0680
Fax: 427-3392

St. Paul
5238 - 50 Avenue
Box 3189
T0A 3A0
Phone: 645-5600
Fax: 645-2566

Edson
Rm. 107, Main Floor
111 - 54 Street
T7E 1T2
Phone: 723-8303
Fax: 723-8904

Fort McMurray
194 Grenfell Crescent
Gregoire Park Centre
T9H 2M6
Phone: 743-2673
Fax: 743-9666

Lac La Biche
M & M Building
Box 1979
10107 - 102 Avenue
T0A 2C0
Phone: 623-5300
Fax: 623-2462

CALGARY REGION

Calgary
2924 - 11 Street N.E.
1 Deerfoot Place
T2E 8C4
Phone: 250-4600
Fax: 297-2830

Red Deer
5913 Gaetz Avenue
T4N 4C4
Phone: 343-7788
Fax: 340-5550

Lethbridge
Suite 100
220 - 4 Street South
T1J 4J7
Phone: 329-8722
Fax: 381-5756

ALBERTA PUBLIC SAFETY SERVICES

9.1 DISASTER ASSISTANCE PROGRAM

9.1.1 **OBJECTIVE** -- To provide financial assistance for eligible loss and damage as the result of an extraordinary event which the victim could neither prevent nor be expected to readily and reasonably insure against.

9.1.2 **ELIGIBILITY** -- All municipalities, individuals, institutions and businesses in Alberta.

9.1.3 **DESCRIPTION** -- A program administered by Alberta Public Safety Services which may provide financial assistance to applicants for eligible unanticipated expenditures due to an emergency and/or disastrous event. Assistance is not intended to provide full compensation for loss and damage, but to assist in recovery from the occurrence. Municipalities may have all eligible extraordinary costs of emergency operations and restoration of public property considered for reimbursement.

The program is designed to respond in two distinct circumstances. A disastrous event may be widespread in that it affects a large geographical area or a large number of people. It may also be extraordinary or historical in nature. In this case, the assistance is intended to help a community or communities with the recovery and alleviate the collective effects of the disaster that would delay recovery. The second case is the isolated event which may affect one or two individuals or families to such an extent that they may, through no fault of their own, not be able to survive economically.

Before loss and damages are considered for assistance, they must be deemed unusual and are normally reviewed by a Disaster Assistance Committee to ensure compliance with established guidelines, as follows:

a) For isolated cases the losses and damage have been so devastating as to threaten the economic survival of an individual, institution or business;

b) Insurance is not readily or reasonably available to cover the loss and damage or it is of a type that is not usually purchased by prudent people;

c) Assistance would be in the public interest;

d) In a municipality, an unusual amount of non-insurable loss and damage has affected a number of people;

e) Events causing damage or loss were extremely unusual as classified by a competent authority. For example, historical records, evaluated by Alberta Environment, indicate a weather related event may be classified as extremely unusual;

f) The health, safety or welfare of the affected citizen or citizens have been at risk;

g) Persons directly affected, and/or municipal authorities, acted prudently and appropriately to protect property and minimize damage when, and if, warning was given.

9.1.4 **FINANCING** -- Assistance for eligible loss and damage is normally cost-shared between the individual and the Provincial Government, the individual paying 20% after a $1,000 deductible is applied. Eligible municipal costs are funded 100% by the Provincial government. When the financial expenditure for any single event reaches extraordinary proportions, it may qualify for cost sharing by the Federal Government.

See Provincial Funding Allocation Section 15.9.1.

9.1.5 **TIME FRAME** -- This is an ongoing program that was implemented in 1973. Applications may be made at any time.

9.1.6 **REFERENCE** -- Public Safety Services Act, Chapter P-30.5 R.S.A. 1980

9.1.7 **INFORMATION CONTACT**

Director
Disaster Assistance Branch
Alberta Public Safety Services
10320 - 146 Street
Edmonton, Alberta
T5N 3A2
Telephone: 422-9000

9.2 RESCUE KIT PROGRAM

9.2.1 **OBJECTIVE** -- To assist municipalities in improving emergency preparedness by issuing items of public safety equipment.

9.2.2 **ELIGIBILITY** -- This program is available to all municipalities in Alberta who are participants in the Alberta Public Safety Services Program and have met the Rescue Kit Program prerequisites.

9.2.3 **DESCRIPTION** -- The municipalities guide for eligibility is as follows:

a) Maintains a Municipal Emergency Plan;

b) Trains and maintains a rescue service element of not less than eight rescue workers;

c) Ensures at least one rescue worker is qualified as a rescue leader;

d) Conducts local rescue training on an annual basis;

e) Has signed Mutual Aid Agreements in place.

The kit consists of various items for rescue including a portable lighting system, blankets, stretchers, come-alongs, hydraulic jack, 44,000 pound capacity air bag kit, rescue harness, ropes, etc. Twenty-one kits are issued annually.

9.2.4 **FINANCING** -- This program is funded 100% by the Provincial Government.

See Provincial Funding Allocation Section 15.9.2.

9.2.5 **TIME FRAME** -- This is an ongoing program. Applications are requested in October.

9.2.6 **REFERENCE** -- Public Safety Services Act, Chapter P-30.5 R.S.A. 1980

9.2.7 **INFORMATION CONTACT**

Director
Disaster Field Services
Alberta Public Safety Services
10320 - 146 Street
Edmonton, Alberta
T5N 3A2
Phone: 451-7119

9.3 REGIONAL RESPONSE IMPROVEMENT PROGRAM

9.3.1 **OBJECTIVE** -- To provide financial assistance to municipalities on a cost-shared basis for the funding of projects which will develop or enhance a municipality's regional emergency response capability.

9.3.2 **ELIGIBILITY** -- This program is available to all municipalities in Alberta who participate in the Alberta Public Safety Services programs.

9.3.3 **DESCRIPTION** -- Any municipality may make application for cost-sharing in the purchase of equipment under this program provided that:

a) The municipality has passed a Disaster Services By-law;

b) The municipality maintains and exercises a current and effective Municipal Emergency Plan;

c) The municipality has appointed a Director of Disaster Services;

d) The municipality has a signed Mutual Aid Agreement in place.

Project Criteria

a) Project must have a clear objective and demonstrated need;

b) Projects must be available for emergency use or response on a regional basis, that is, it cannot be for the exclusive benefit of a single municipality;

c) The municipality must have up-to-date Mutual Aid Agreements in place with adjacent municipalities. Fire Agreements only do not meet this criteria;

d) The municipality must agree to man and dispatch the equipment within the mutual aid area as required dependent upon its own emergency situation (the usual cost recovery mechanisms for manpower and other equipment apply);

e) The municipality must agree to pay the total cost of the project and subsequently claim for reimbursement at the agreed cost-sharing ratio;

f) The municipality must agree to insure and maintain the equipment and make equipment reasonably available for inspection by Alberta Public Safety Services;

g) The project should be approved by Council, at least in principle, prior to submission;

h) Approved projects will be funded on an agreed cost-sharing ratio. There is no set formula or ratio for the sharing of costs which will be determined based on the relative merit of the proposal and other factors. Normally, a 50/50 ratio is set as a guideline and municipalities should use this ratio for planning purposes;

i) There is no set dollar limit for any one project, projects under $5,000 will be discouraged and projects over $200,000 will be cost-shared at a lower ratio.

Projects that may be eligible under this program are:

a) Communications Systems: The purchase and installation of communication systems designed to provide a coordinated dispatch and response of municipal emergency equipment and to enhance communications capability with other equipment available under Mutual Aid Agreements. Communication equipment intended for a single emergency service is not eligible;

b) Emergency Response and Rescue Equipment: The purchase of rescue vehicles and associated rescue equipment for on-site response such as hydraulic rescue equipment, chemical suits, breathing apparatus, JAWS of Life, hazardous goods mitigation equipment, portable communication systems, etc.;

c) Emergency Power Equipment: The purchase and installation of heavy duty power generators to provide back-up emergency power for critical emergency management facilities;

d) Mobile Command Posts: Vehicles and equipment, including radios, for on-site control of emergencies;

e) Emergency Operations Centres: Constructing and equipping emergency centres to direct and coordinate emergency response efforts on a regional basis, with an additional capability for use as an Emergency Government Area facility;

f) Computer Systems: Purchase and installation of computer enhanced systems for emergency resource information, storage, retrieval and inventory control.

9.3.4 **FINANCING** -- This is a joint program funded by the Federal and Provincial governments. In 1991/92 fiscal year, no provincial funds are available.

See Provincial Funding Allocation Section 15.9.3.

9.3.5 **TIME FRAME** -- This is a five year program commencing in 1989. Projects must be completed in the fiscal year they are approved.

9.3.6 **REFERENCE** -- Public Safety Services Act, Chapter P-30.5 R.S.A. 1980

9.3.7 **INFORMATION CONTACT**

Director
Disaster Field Services
Alberta Public Safety Services
10320 - 146 Street
Edmonton, Alberta
T5N 3A2
Phone: 451-7119

ALBERTA PUBLIC WORKS, SUPPLY and SERVICES

10.1 GRANTS-IN-LIEU OF TAXES

10.1.1 **OBJECTIVES** -- To assist municipalities in meeting their financial commitments.

10.1.2 **ELIGIBILITY** -- This program is available to all municipalities.

10.1.3 **DESCRIPTION** -- Any municipality within which Crown property is situated may apply each year to Alberta Public Works, Supply and Services for a grant-in-lieu of taxes in respect of that property. The assessor prepares valuations of Crown lands and improvements within the municipality, subject to the guidelines of the Municipal and Provincial Properties Valuation Act. Grants shall not exceed amounts that would be recoverable by municipalities if Crown properties within the municipalities were subject to a municipal tax. A municipality is not automatically entitled by right to this grant. Crown corporations or agencies may provide municipalities with a grant-in-lieu of taxes through their legislation.

Any municipality which has established a business revitalization zone pursuant to the Municipal Government Act, and within which Crown property is situated, may apply for a grant with respect to the Crown property in accordance with Section 3 of the Crown Property Municipal Grants Act.

Any municipality may apply April 1 of each year for an interim payment amounting to 75% of the prior year's approved grants-in-lieu of taxes in respect of each property.

10.1.4 **FINANCING** -- A grant is based on the valuation of the property using the same municipal assessment manual formula that would be used if the property was subject to a tax and the mill rate established by the municipality. The grant will consider exemptions from assessment as provided for by legislation and other policy considerations established by the Minister.

See Provincial Funding Allocation Section 15.10.1,.

10.1.5 **TIME FRAME** -- A continuing program subject to provisions of the Crown Property Municipal Grants Act.

10.1.6 **REFERENCE** -- Crown Property Municipal Grants Act
Chapter C-38 R.S.A. 1980

10.1.7 **INFORMATION CONTACT**

Realty Division
Administrative Services Branch
Alberta Public Works, Supply and Services
19th Floor, College Plaza
8215-112 Street
Edmonton, Alberta
T6G 5A9
Phone: 427-7167

10.2 MUNICIPAL ANNIVERSARY RECOGNITION PROGRAM

10.2.1 **OBJECTIVES** -- The objectives of this program are to:

1) Encourage local community celebrations focusing on municipal incorporation.

2) Foster civic and public awareness regarding historical community events in Alberta such as municipal incorporation.

3) Encourage civic officials to recognize the pioneer efforts of their earlier citizens.

10.2.2 **ELIGIBILITY** -- This program applies to all Alberta municipalities which have formally incorporated and received municipality status according to the Municipal Government Act; The New Towns Act; The School Act in conjunction with the Property Tax Reduction Act.

10.2.3 **DESCRIPTION** -- The assistance is unconditional and so may be used to sponsor celebration activities or for any other project the Municipal Council believes appropriate. In cases where a municipality has more than one date which might be celebrated, for example, original incorporation as a village then later as a town , the council may select which date is to be celebrated for the municipality. Incorporation dates are available from the information contact. Notice of which date is selected should be provided to Alberta Lotteries, Major Exhibitions and Fairs.

10.2.4 **FINANCING** -- The Provincial Government through proceeds from the Lottery Fund will provide $1,000 or 10 cents per capita, whichever is greatest, to assist each municipality in recognizing the 50th anniversary of it's incorporation and at 25 year intervals thereafter. No application is required.

See Provincial Funding Allocation Section 15.10.2.

10.2.5 **INFORMATION CONTACT**

Alberta Lotteries
Major Exhibitions and Fairs
14th Floor, Royal LePage Building
10130 - 103 Street
Edmonton, Alberta
T5J 3R2
Phone: 422-9014

ALBERTA
RECREATION and PARKS

11.1 COMMUNITY RECREATION/CULTURAL GRANT PROGRAM

11.1.1 **OBJECTIVES** -- To aid volunteer community groups and clubs, and municipalities with expenditures incurred in the provision of recreation and cultural services, and to encourage co-operative efforts in all aspects of these services, including facility development, facility operation and maintenance, and recreation and cultural programming and planning.

11.1.2 **ELIGIBILITY** -- Any council of an improvement district, special area, Metis settlement or Indian band; any council of a municipality representing a regional recreation board; any school board in a National Park; and any council of any other municipality which has a recreation board.

11.1.3 **DESCRIPTION** -- A minimum of 25% of the total eligibility of a municipality must be used for cultural purposes. A maximum of 75% may be used for recreation purposes. The total eligibility must also be divided with a minimum of 50% designated to registered volunteer community organizations and clubs and a maximum of 50% designated to the municipality.

11.1.4 **FINANCING** -- There will be $8 per capita available from this grant program during 1990/91. Municipalities with a population of less than 400 are eligible to receive a grant equal to that for which a municipality with a population of 400 is eligible to receive.

See Provincial Funding Allocation Section 15.11.1.

11.1.5 **TIME FRAME** -- This is a eight-year program which began on April 1, 1985. Applications are available from the information contact below and from Alberta Recreation and Parks' Regional Recreation Consultants.

11.1.6 **REFERENCE** -- Department of Recreation and Parks Act
Chapter D-26 R.S.A. 1980

11.1.7 **INFORMATION CONTACT**

Field Program Support Unit
Alberta Recreation and Parks
8th Floor, 10405 Jasper Avenue
Edmonton, Alberta
T5J 3N4
Phone: 427-2001

11.2 HOSTING GRANT PROGRAM

11.2.1 **OBJECTIVES** -- To promote and assist the effective hosting of national and international sport/recreation events within the province of Alberta by providing financial assistance and consultation services.

11.2.2 **ELIGIBILITY** -- Provincial Sport and Recreation Associations recognized by Alberta Recreation and Parks under Regulation 235/75 Schedule J. Under exceptional circumstances in which it is not appropriate for the provincial association to be the responsible host agency, the application may be made by registered associations under the Companies Act (part a) or the Societies Act.

11.2.3 **DESCRIPTION** -- The Province will fund one quarter of the allowable operational expenses according to the submitted budget up to specified maximum amounts. Allowable operational expenses include the following:

- Facility Costs: rental costs, computer/equipment, cost/rental.
- Office Expenses: rental, telephone, supplies, printing, registration costs, secretary expenses (for event only).
- Fees: insurance, sanctions, legal, medical, translation.
- Communications: advertising, buttons, brochures, posters, public relations.
- Officials: training, flags, uniforms, honoraria, accommodation/meals, internal provincial travel.
- Recognition Awards: trophies/awards, volunteer recognition.
- Organizational Expenses: meetings, room rental, internal travel within host area.
- Special Events: opening/closing ceremonies, banquets.

11.2.4 **FINANCING** -- Funding varies dependent upon the specific event and the proposed budget.

See Provincial Funding Allocation Section 15.11.2.

11.2.5 **TIME FRAME** -- A letter of intent to apply for a hosting grant should be submitted to Alberta Recreation and Parks at least 12 months prior to the date of the event. A completed application form together with all required attachments must be submitted six months prior to the event.

11.2.6 **REFERENCE** -- Department of Recreation and Parks Act
Chapter D-26 R.S.A. 1980

11.2.7 **INFORMATION CONTACT**

Provincial Recreation and Sport Branch
Alberta Recreation and Parks
8th Floor, 10405 Jasper Avenue
Edmonton, Alberta
T5J 3N4
Phone: 427-2015

ALBERTA
SOLICITOR GENERAL

12.1 MUNICIPAL POLICE ASSISTANCE GRANT

12.1.1 **OBJECTIVES** -- To help all municipalities paying for their own policing in defraying policing costs.

12.1.2 **ELIGIBILITY** -- This program is available to all Alberta municipalities who by way of either establishing and maintaining their own police force or by entering into a Royal Canadian Mounted Police municipal policing contract are responsible for their own policing.

12.1.3 **DESCRIPTION** -- The government approves a total amount for the grant yearly.

12.1.4 **FINANCING** -- The department will calculate the grant payable to each municipality yearly. Please refer to the Alberta Partnership Transfer Program listed in the Alberta Municipal Affairs section.

See Provincial Funding Allocation Section 15.12.1.

12.1.5 **TIME FRAME** -- This is an ongoing program of the Provincial Government that was implemented in April 1975. It has no known termination date.

12.1.6 **REFERENCE** -- Department of the Solicitor General Act
Chapter D-28 R.S.A. 1980

12.2 LIQUOR CONTROL ACT SUBSIDY

12.2.1 **OBJECTIVES** -- To assist those municipalities with their own police cells in the Province of Alberta to offset the costs of holding an intoxicated person in their cells without charge until such time as the individual being detained is deemed sober.

12.2.2 **ELIGIBILITY** -- This program is available to all municipalities that operate their own police service as defined in the Police Act and have their own jail facilities.

12.2.3 **DESCRIPTION** -- The grant allows a fee of $7.00 per person who is held without charge in a cell accommodation maintained by the village, town or city. The village, town or city bills this department monthly for each person lodged in their cells during that month and the billing must be certified by the police service in that particular location.

12.2.4 **FINANCING** -- The village, town or city is entitled to $7.00 per person per day. Accounts are submitted to the department monthly for certification and processing.

See Provincial Funding Allocation Section 15.12.2.

12.2.5 **TIME FRAME** -- This is an ongoing program of the Provincial Government that has no known termination date.

12.2.6 **REFERENCE** -- Liquor Control Act, Chapter L-17 R.S.A. 1980, Order in Council 1411/74

12.2.7 **INFORMATION CONTACT**

Executive Director
Law Enforcement Division
Alberta Solicitor General
10th Floor, John E. BrownLee Bldg
10365 - 97 Street
Edmonton, Alberta
T5J 3W7
Phone: 427-3457

12.3 MUNICIPAL POLICE BUILDING SUBSIDY

12.3.1 **OBJECTIVES** -- To provide assistance to municipalities building a new police building or to make repairs to the existing police building.

12.3.2 **ELIGIBILITY** -- Available to municipalities who wish to build their own police facility or renovate their existing police facility.

12.3.3 **DESCRIPTION** -- The grant is to be used only for assistance in construction of a police building or portion of a building to be used for police facilities. Building plans must be submitted with the grant application.

The cost of the building will not include the land value. The government may approve building subsidies on a yearly basis. These subsidies are available only in the year for which funding is provided.

12.3.4 **FINANCING** -- Payment will be made either when work is completed or as the work progresses, upon receipt of accounts certified by the municipalities auditors.

See Provincial Funding Allocation Section 15.12.3.

12.3.5 **TIME FRAME** -- This is an ongoing program of the Provincial Government that has no known termination date.

12.3.6 **REFERENCE** -- Department of the Solicitor General Act
Chapter D-28 R.S.A. 1980

12.3.7 **INFORMATION CONTACT**

Executive Director
Law Enforcement Division
Alberta Solicitor General
10th Floor, John E. BrownLee Bldg
10365 - 97 Street
Edmonton, Alberta
T5J 3W7
Phone: 427-3457

12.4 POLICE PHASE-IN GRANT

12.4.1 **OBJECTIVES** -- To provide financial assistance to municipalities required by the Police Act, 1988 to provide their own policing.

12.4.2 **ELIGIBILITY** -- Municipalities who establish and maintain their own police services or enter into a Municipal Policing Agreement with the Royal Canadian Mounted Police are eligible.

12.4.3 **DESCRIPTION** -- Once a municipality has established their own police service or signed a Municipal Policing Agreement with the Royal Canadian Mounted Police, the Province may approve a phase-in grant on a yearly basis. These grants are available only in the year for which funding is provided.

12.4.4 **FINANCING** -- Payment is made to the municipality twice yearly and upon receipt of proof that the Royal Canadian Mounted Police billing has been paid.

See Provincial Funding Allocation Section 15.12.4.

12.4.5 **TIME FRAME** -- This is an ongoing program of the Provincial Government that has no known termination date. Application for this grant must be made at a minimum of one year in advance of the budget year in which the funds are being requested.

12.4.6 **REFERENCE** -- Department of the Solicitor General Act
Chapter D-28 R.S.A. 1980

12.4.7 **INFORMATION CONTACT**

Executive Director
Law Enforcement Division
Alberta Solicitor General
10th Floor, John E. BrownLee Bldg
10365 - 97 Street
Edmonton, Alberta
T5J 3W7
Phone: 427-3457

12.5 SUMMER VILLAGE POLICING GRANT

12.5.1 **OBJECTIVES** -- To assist summer villages who supply their own policing from May 15th to November 15th yearly.

12.5.2 **ELIGIBILITY** -- This grant is available to all summer villages who supply their own policing during the months of May 15th to November 15th inclusive.

12.5.3 **DESCRIPTION** -- A grant of $500 a month is made available to all summer villages to assist in defraying the cost of the summer special constable.

12.5.4 **FINANCING** -- Upon proof of payment to the special constable, a monthly billing in the amount of $500 is made to this department.

See Provincial Funding Allocation Section 15.12.5.

12.5.5 **TIME FRAME** -- This is an ongoing program of the Provincial Government. Applications by summer villages should be made by November 30.

12.5.6 **REFERENCE** -- Department of the Solicitor General Act
Chapter D-28 R.S.A. 1980

12.5.7 **INFORMATION CONTACT**

Executive Director
Law Enforcement Division
Alberta Solicitor General
10th Floor, John E. BrownLee Bldg
10365 - 97 Street
Edmonton, Alberta
T5J 3W7
Phone: 427-3457

ALBERTA TOURISM

13.1 COMMUNITY TOURISM ACTION PROGRAM

13.1.1 **OBJECTIVES** -- The Community Tourism Action Program provides financial assistance to private sector operators and not-for-profit groups in Alberta municipalities or the municipalities themselves, who wish to implement tourism-oriented capital development projects which have been identified in Community Tourism Action Plans. The Program provides $30 million of funding, commencing in August, 1988 and expiring in March, 1993. The funding is provided through Alberta Lottery revenues. The funding Program is administered by the Tourism Industry Association of Alberta (TIAALTA) on behalf of the Department of Tourism.

13.1.2 ELIGIBILITY

Applicants - Applications may be submitted by:

- Private sector individuals and not-for-profit organizations whose projects have been included in the Community Tourism Action Plan and have municipal endorsement for their projects.
- Indian Bands and Metis Settlements who have prepared and endorsed a Community Tourism Action Plan.
- Incorporated municipalities (cities, towns, villages, summer villages, counties, municipal districts, improvement districts and special areas) who have prepared and endorsed a Community Tourism Action Plan.

Two or more municipalities may pool their allotments under the program to facilitate larger-scale projects of a regional nature.

Projects - Capital development projects which:

- Are tourism orientated projects; those projects which demonstrate the ability to attract tourists, to encourage tourists to stay longer and spend more money than they would have without the project.
- Are included in a municipally endorsed, Department of Tourism approved, Community Tourism Action Plan.
- Have been endorsed for funding purposes by the municipality.
- Will result in viable operations which will not require subsidization by the Province for on-going operation and maintenance costs.
- Do not involve the staging of events or marketing.

Feasibility analysis, design work and construction supervision fees related to fundable capital development projects may also be eligible for funding. A maximum 25% of the municipal funding allotment can be utilized for these costs.

13.1.3 **FINANCING** -- Projects approved by TIAALTA will receive funding in the amounts determined by the respective municipality as funding allocations *permit*. The maximum grant amount is 75% of the eligible project costs. The applicant is required to supply a minimum of 1/3 of the grant amount in cash equity.

Funds are allocated to municipalities according to the program funding formula. It is not a "first-come, first-serve" program.

Funding allocations are calculated on a per capita basis by municipality:

- $50 per capita for the first 2,000 people;
- $40 per capita for the next 3,000 people;
- $35 per capita for the balance.

The maximum allocation for a municipality will be:

- $300,000 for municipalities up to 15,000 population;
- $500,000 for municipalities between 15,000 and 100,000 population;
- $2,000,000 for municipalities over 100,000 population.

See Provincial Funding Allocation Section 15.13.1.

13.1.4 **GENERAL APPLICATION CRITERIA** -- An applicant to the Community Tourism Action Program must demonstrate that:

- The municipality has a completed and endorsed Community Tourism Action Plan which has been registered with Alberta Tourism.
- The project is contained in the municipality's Community Tourism Action Plan (if two or more municipalities are involved, the project must be included in each municipality's plan).
- The applicant can provide 1/3 of the grant amount in cash equity.
- Financing for the entire project has been confirmed.
- The project can maintain long term, continuing self-sufficiency without provincial government subsidization.
- The project is oriented to tourism as opposed to local recreational use.

13.1.5 **APPLICATIONS** -- Applications should be submitted on official program application forms. Application forms, program guidelines and sample applications are available from the Tourism Industry Association of Alberta, the Department of Tourism or from any municipality.

13.1.6 INFORMATION CONTACT

Community Tourism Action Program
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Edmonton, Alberta
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13.2 TEAM TOURISM MARKETING PROGRAM

13.2.1 **OBJECTIVES** -- The purpose of the program is to create integrated regional (ie. Alberta Tourist Zone) marketing strategies that will result in increased market penetration and impact, allowing all parts of the province to compete more effectively for tourism revenues.

It is designed to encourage greater visibility, improved knowledge, with increased and higher quality marketing of each regional destination, rather than individual facilities alone. Is designed to stimulate the tourism industry to allocate increased resources to marketing.

The program will provide $20 million from lottery funds over five years from September 1, 1988 to March 31, 1993.

13.2.2 **MARKETING PLANS** -- Each Tourist Zone in Alberta, in consultation with the tourism operators in that Zone, will prepare annual marketing plans for the region.

The plans will include details on marketing projects proposed for funding under this program. These projects must:

- be consistent with present or targeted tourism patterns in the Zone;
- meet the strategic marketing objectives of the Zone;
- take place in appropriate designated target markets for the region.

Once the marketing plan is endorsed, Zone approved applications for specific projects supporting the Zone marketing plans may then be submitted by the Zones to TIAALTA (Tourism Industry Association of Alberta).

An annual plan is to be submitted by October 1 of each year, with a supplementary update submitted by July 1 of the following year, containing more detail on winter programs.

13.2.3 **FINANCING** -- An annual ceiling limit has been set for each Zone primarily based on visitor demand for commercial fixed roof accommodation in the Zone. The distribution of funds will be as follows:

Group	Zone Ceiling per Fiscal Year	Zones in Group
A	$500,000	10 - Calgary and District 11 - Edmonton
B	$300,000	1 - Chinook Country 4 - David Thompson Country 6 - Lakeland 9 - Jasper National Park 12 - Banff National Park
C	$200,000	2 - Gateway 3 - Big Country 5 - Battle River 7 - Evergreen 8 - Land of the Mighty Peace 13 - Game Country 14 - Midnight Twilight

See Provincial Funding Allocation Section 15.13.2.

13.2.4 **ELIGIBILITY**

Applicants - all tourism operators in a Zone may apply through the Zone for funding of up to 50% of the operator's total eligible marketing activities.

"Operators" include the Zone itself; municipalities; organizations with an interest in tourism in the region, such as Chambers of Commerce and non-profit groups; individual tourism facility operators; service industry operators in combination with a tourism product; and consortia made up of any combination of the above.

Marketing activities of federal and provincial facilities are not eligible for funding. However, such facilities are not precluded from taking part in regional promotions.

Operators with facilities in more than one Zone must submit separate applications for funding through each applicable Zone (eg. Yellowhead Highway Association would apply through Zones 6, 11, 7 and 9).

Activities - all new or expanded tourism marketing activities consistent with current or targeted regional tourism patterns, Zone objectives, and Zone target markets may be eligible for funding on a 50/50 basis.

Examples of eligible marketing activities are:

- Advertising (trade and consumer print, TV and radio, billboards).
- Publications (lure and service, brochure's, self-guided or theme tours).
- Audio visual materials (slides, videos, films).
- Display materials (posters, display booths).
- Consumer and trade show attendance (booth, travel and subsistence).
- Media relations (blitzes, familiarization tours).
- Trade relations (sales calls, familiarization tours).
- Promotions and promotional materials (competitions, special events).
- Market research aimed at evaluating Team Tourism projects.
- Public relations assistance for the execution of marketing activities.

13.2.5 **APPLICATIONS** -- Applications under Team Tourism must be submitted to the appropriate Tourist Zone office. Application forms are available in each Tourist Zone office.

13.2.6 **INFORMATION CONTACT**

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Tourism Industry Association of Alberta
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ALBERTA TRANSPORTATION and UTILITIES

14.1 ALBERTA CITIES TRANSPORTATION PARTNERSHIP

14.1.1 OBJECTIVES

- To encourage long term planning and implementation of safe and effective urban transportation systems.
- To participate with cities in the planning and financial responsibility for those elements of the urban transportation system which are a mutual concern as a vital link in a total provincial transportation system.

14.1.2 ELIGIBILITY

- the incorporated cities; and
- Sherwood Park Urban Services Area.

14.1.3 DESCRIPTION -- This Program consists of:

- Basic Capital Grants and Community Safe Streets.
- Primary Highway Maintenance Grants.
- The Public Transit Operating Assistance Grants [combined within the Alberta Partnership Transfer Program]

See Provincial Funding Allocation Section 15.14.1.

14.1.4 TIME FRAME -- Program extends from April 1, 1989 to March 31, 1993.

14.1.5 REFERENCE -- City Transportation Act, Chapter C-10 R.S.A. 1980

14.1.6 INFORMATION CONTACT

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14.1.1 BASIC CAPITAL AND COMMUNITY SAFE STREETS

14.1.1.1 **OBJECTIVE** -- To assist cities financially by providing capital grants to support the development of components of a balanced transportation system. In addition, to enhance the personal safety of users of the cities transportation system.

14.1.1.2 **DESCRIPTION** -- Eligible expenditures under this grant are:

- Construction and rehabilitation of arterial roadways.
- Public transit capital expenditures.
- Resurfacing, reconstruction of collector roadways.
- Traffic signals.
- Pedestrian overpasses.
- Roadway emergency bays.
- Traffic channelization.

14.1.1.3 **FINANCING** -- The maximum amount available for each city under the Basic Capital and Community Safe Streets Grant in 1991/92 will be based on the previous year's population as provided by Alberta Municipal Affairs at a rate of $50 per capita. In order for a city to receive their maximum eligible amount they must have sufficient approved projects.

All projects eligible under the Basic Capital and Community Safe Streets Grant will be cost-shared on a 75% Provincial/25% City basis up to the maximum amount available to each city.

See Provincial Funding Allocation Section 15.14.1.1.

14.1.2 PRIMARY HIGHWAY MAINTENANCE

14.1.2.1 OBJECTIVES

- To assist cities financially in maintaining and operating the primary highway portion of the cities' roadway systems.
- To encourage efficient maintenance and operation of roadways.

Cities will determine priorities and allocation between uses for this grant.

14.1.2.2 **FINANCING** -- The cities will receive an annual grant of $1,959 per lane-kilometer of primary highway under their jurisdiction and within their corporate limits.

See Provincial Funding Allocation Section 15.14.1.2.

14.1.3 PUBLIC TRANSIT OPERATING ASSISTANCE

14.1.3.1 OBJECTIVE

1. To assist municipalities financially by providing operating grants to assist in:
   a) Provision of special services or assistance for the transportation of senior citizens and the disabled.
   b) Maintenance and operation of approved regular public transit system.
2. To encourage efficient operation of public transit or special services.

14.1.3.2 **DESCRIPTION AND FINANCING** -- This grant is calculated by the Department of Transportation and Utilities based on the type of service provided and the official population figures published by Alberta Municipal Affairs. The funds are advanced as part of the Alberta Partnership Transfer Program described in the Municipal Affairs section. Annual funding is based on a per capita rate according to the following:

a) A basic $3.11 per capita is provided to assist all Alberta Municipalities in the operation of specialized transportation services for seniors and the disabled.

b) Communities with approved paratransit but no conventional public transit system are eligible to receive up to $3.11 in addition to the basic amount.

c) Cities with approved conventional public transit systems are eligible for $8.27 per capita in addition to the basic amount to assist with the costs of operating a regular transit service on regular scheduled routes, servicing the general public.

See Provincial Funding Allocation Section 15.14.1.3.

14.1.3.3 **REFERENCE** -- Department of Transportation and Utilities Act
Chapter D-30 R.S.A. 1980

14.2 REGULAR ROAD GRANT FOR COUNTIES AND MUNICIPAL DISTRICTS

14.2.1 **OBJECTIVES** -- To assist the counties and municipal districts with road construction projects with the aim to provide for the improvement of the road network to a standard that will satisfy the traffic demand and need.

14.2.2 **ELIGIBILITY** -- This program is available only to the counties and municipal districts in Alberta.

14.2.3 **DESCRIPTION** -- Yearly program allocations are calculated by formula. Factors considered in the calculation of grant funds assigned to counties and municipal districts involve population, equalized assessment, miles of opened road (including local roads and secondary highways less miles of paved roads) and a terrain factor that takes into account difficult construction problems. Activities eligible under the grant program are: grading; regrading; gravelling; gravel crushing; regravelling; dust abatement; base course; paving; seal coat; signing and pavement markings. Additionally, purchase of right-of-way, utility adjustments, fencing and legal surveys also qualify on local road projects.

14.2.4 **FINANCING** -- The Department funds 100% of the approved projects up to the municipalities' formula eligibility. Once the grant projects are approved by the department, 50% of the grant funds are advanced in trust to the municipality via a trust agreement. Upon completion of the grant projects, the municipality provides the department with certification and a summary report of the project expenditures. The balance of the grant is advanced later in the fiscal year.

See Provincial Funding Allocation Section 15.14.2.

14.2.5 **TIME FRAME** -- This is an ongoing program of the Provincial Government.

14.2.6 **REFERENCE** -- Department of Transportation and Utilities Act
Chapter D-30 R.S.A. 1980

14.2.7 **INFORMATION CONTACT**

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14.3 DUST CONTROL GRANT FOR COUNTIES AND MUNICIPAL DISTRICTS

14.3.1 **OBJECTIVES** -- To provide financial assistance to counties and municipal districts to maintain dust control on secondary highways and local roads.

14.3.2 **ELIGIBILITY** -- This program is available to all counties and municipal districts.

14.3.3 **DESCRIPTION** -- Allocations are based on the level of the municipality's Regular Road Grant allocation. It is expected that each jurisdiction will determine guidelines and parameters for utilization of the grant on the basis of the dust control needs within the municipality.

14.3.4 **FINANCING** -- The department funds 100% of the costs up to the amount of the eligibility. The department provides 100% of the grant in advance in trust. The municipality must provide the department with a summary report on the uses of the grant prior to the end of the fiscal year.

See Provincial Funding Allocation Section 15.14.3.

14.3.5 **TIME FRAME** -- This is an ongoing program of the Provincial Government.

14.3.6 **REFERENCE** -- Department of Transportation and Utilities Act
Chapter D-30 R.S.A. 1980

14.3.7 **INFORMATION CONTACT**

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14.4 ENGINEERING ASSISTANCE GRANT

14.4.1 **OBJECTIVES** -- To provide financial assistance for the required engineering work associated with Regular Road Grant projects.

14.4.2 **ELIGIBILITY** -- This program is available to all counties and municipal districts.

14.4.3 **DESCRIPTION** -- Allocations are based on the level of the municipalities Regular Road Grant allocation. This grant is intended to be used to engage private engineering consultants but in some cases may be used to cover engineering services provided by Alberta Transportation and Utilities. If department engineering services are utilized the appropriate costs are deducted from the municipal allocations.

14.4.4 **FINANCING** -- The Engineering Assistance Grant is provided to each county and municipal district in proportion to the municipality's Regular Road Grant. Claims for the funds are submitted to the District Transportation Engineer upon completion of the approved projects.

See Provincial Funding Allocation Section 15.14.4.

14.4.5 **TIME FRAME** -- This is an ongoing program of the Provincial Government.

14.4.6 **REFERENCE** -- Department of Transportation and Utilities Act
Chapter D-30 R.S.A. 1980

14.4.7 **INFORMATION CONTACT**

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14.5 HAMLETS STREETS ASSISTANCE PROGRAM

14.5.1 **OBJECTIVES** -- To provide special assistance for improving streets in Alberta hamlets within municipal districts, counties, improvement districts and special areas.

14.5.2 **ELIGIBILITY** -- This program is only available to those areas that are officially designated as hamlets and have a permanent population of 50 or more.

14.5.3 **DESCRIPTION** -- The types of street improvements which are eligible for this funding involve construction of lasting facilities serving both road users and pedestrians. These improvements will include grading, gravelling, acceptable quality oil treatments, stabilized gravel base/paving, concrete sidewalks, curbs and gutters, roadway storm sewers and drainage systems, bridges, traffic signs and signals and street lighting.

Applications are submitted by the appropriate rural jurisdiction on behalf of the hamlet.

14.5.4 **FINANCING** -- Eligibility for assistance is based on $45,000 basic grant plus $80 per capita for hamlets with populations of 100 or more; and $15,000 basic grant plus $80 per capita for hamlets with populations of 50 to 99.

The department will contribute 75% of the construction and engineering costs of approved projects. The municipalities will be responsible for 25% of the construction and engineering costs.

An official designation of the hamlet boundaries and a Statutory Declaration of population are required together with plans and cost estimates for application for the program. Applications are provided to the Regional Director.

See Provincial Funding Allocation Section 15.14.5.

14.5.5 **TIME FRAME** -- The current program commenced on April 1, 1985 and will be an ongoing program.

14.5.6 **REFERENCE** -- Public Highways Development Act
Chapter P-28 R.S.A. 1980

14.5.7 **INFORMATION CONTACT**

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14.6 STREETS IMPROVEMENT PROGRAM

14.6.1 **OBJECTIVES** -- To assist Alberta's towns, villages and summer villages with required capital road and street improvements.

14.6.2 **ELIGIBILITY** -- The program is available to all towns, villages and summer villages in the province.

14.6.3 DESCRIPTION

Regular Grant: The projects which are eligible for funding under the program are road and street grading and regrading, gravelling, base course, paving, good quality dust control, concrete sidewalks, curbs and gutters, roadway storm sewers and drainage systems, bridges and culverts, traffic control devices and street lighting, signing, right-of-way acquisition, relocation and adjustment of associated utilities, and engineering costs.

Community Safe Streets: The Community Safe Streets Program provides financial assistance to municipalities for the development of safety-enhancing projects such as traffic control devices, improved street illumination, and pedestrian safety installations.

Approval for funding of eligible projects requires proper engineering planning, design and construction supervision to ensure standards are maintained. The level of engineering involvement will vary with the complexity of the project. As well, where major road/street improvements are proposed, the municipality may need to demonstrate that the underlying underground utilities are in good condition. Approval for the grant may also be based upon the combination of work covered under the application with other projects in the area to reduce overall costs.

All materials and equipment engaged on projects eligible for funding must be from the private sector. Maintenance projects and operations are not eligible under the program.

14.6.4 **FINANCING** -- For the Streets Improvement Program, towns, villages and summer villages with permanent populations greater than 100 are eligible to receive grants for individual projects up to a total maximum calculated as a base of $80,000 and a per capita of $100 for the first 1,000 population, plus an additional per capita allowance of $10 for every 1,000 population thereafter.

Summer villages with permanent populations less than 100 are eligible to receive grants for individual projects up to a total maximum calculated as a base of $40,000 and a per capita allowance of $100.

For the Community Safe Streets component, towns, villages and summer villages are eligible to receive a maximum grant based on an allotment of $2,000 plus $10 per capita.

The total grants available to a municipality will be based on its maximum population during the 6-year life of the program.

Alberta Transportation and Utilities will fund 75% of construction costs and 50% of engineering costs of approved projects. Municipalities will be responsible for 25% of the construction costs and 50% of the engineering costs.

The population figures utilized in the grant calculations will be in accordance with the most recent confirmed figures published by Alberta Municipal Affairs at the date of approval of the projects under the program.

See Provincial Funding Allocation Section 15.14.6.

14.6.5 **TIME FRAME** -- This program was implemented April 1, 1989 and is scheduled to terminate March 31, 1995.

14.6.6 **REFERENCE** -- Public Highways Development Act
Chapter P-28 R.S.A. 1980

14.6.7 **INFORMATION CONTACT**

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14.7 ALBERTA MUNICIPAL WATER / WASTEWATER PARTNERSHIP

14.7.1 **OBJECTIVES** -- To assist municipalities with the capital cost of installing modern and adequate facilities for water supply and wastewater treatment.

14.7.2 **ELIGIBILITY** -- Cities (under 45,000 in population), towns, villages, summer villages, regional commissions and eligible hamlets within municipal districts, counties, improvement districts and special areas.

14.7.3 **ELIGIBILITY OF PROJECTS** -- Projects directly related to water supply and treatment and wastewater treatment and disposal qualify for funding under the program. Eligible projects include:

Water Supply and Treatment

- Raw-water intakes and wells.
- Raw-water supply lines to storage facilities.
- Raw-water supply lines from storage facilities to treatment facilities.
- Water treatment facilities.
- Treated-water supply lines from the treatment plant to the first point of connection on the distribution system.
- Treated-water storage facilities and related works.

Wastewater Treatment

- Outfall sewers from the last connection point on the collection system to the wastewater treatment facilities.
- Wastewater treatment facilities.
- Outfall sewers from the wastewater treatment facilities to the point of discharge or disposal and related works.

Miscellaneous

- Small projects "at the plant" which would enhance the treatment process, such as chlorination or fluoridation.
- Planning and/or design studies directly related to an eligible project.
- General municipal infrastructure planning studies for eligible municipalities under 10,000.

Municipalities are encouraged to contact department officials at an early date to discuss the eligibility of proposed projects and to ensure that the project is identified for funding prior to the end of the previous calendar year.

14.7.4 **FINANCING** -- The demand for financial assistance may exceed the available budget, and it is therefore stressed that this program will be administered on the basis of funding being provided only to project as prioritized by the Government of Alberta.

Effective April 1, 1991, this new partnership was introduced and replaced all of the previous financial assistance programs for municipal water and wastewater facilities. This new initiative combines the previous Alberta Municipal Water, Supply and Sewage Treatment Grant Program, the Regional Utilities Program, the Northern Supplementary Program and the Agricultural Processing Industries Grant Program.

Funding is calculated on the following formula basis:

- For populations less than 1,000, the grant is 75 percent of eligible project costs.

- For populations 1,001 to 3,000, the grant is
  $\frac{0.5\,P + 250}{P} \times 100 =$ _% of eligible project costs.

- For populations 3,001 to 10,000, the grant is
  $\frac{0.25\,P + 1{,}000}{P} \times 100 =$ _% of eligible project costs.

- For populations 10,001 to 45,000, the grant is
  $35 - .001\,(P - 10{,}000) =$ _% of eligible project costs.

NOTE: " P " denotes population.

The funding formula for regional commissions and summer villages is somewhat different. These applicants should contact the department to obtain more detailed information.

Municipalities receiving assistance from this program are encouraged to support Alberta companies supplying goods and services to the waterworks and wastewater industry. The specific grants will be calculated by the Department of Transportation and Utilities in accordance with established priorities and criteria. Municipalities must not assume that a grant will be provided until such time as written confirmation is received from the department.

Funding for eligible projects may be impacted by initiatives under this program. Water conservation and consumption-based rate structures will be encouraged through a new provision that will reduce the cost-sharing for those municipalities which do not actively promote water conservation through their water rate practices.

Hamlets within improvement districts and under the jurisdiction of the Northern Alberta Development Council are eligible for an increased cost-sharing arrangement for eligible projects for a three-year term.

See Provincial Funding Allocation section 15.14.7.

14.7.5 **TIME FRAME** -- This financial assistance was implemented on April 1, 1991, and is an ongoing program of the Provincial Government.

14.7.6 **REFERENCE** -- Department of Transportation & Utilities Act
Chapter D-30 R.S.A. 1980.

14.7.7 **INFORMATION CONTACT**

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14.8 ALBERTA AIRPORT DEVELOPMENT PROGRAM

14.8.1 **OBJECTIVES** -- Assist in the upgrading of existing airports in Alberta communities.

14.8.2 **ELIGIBILITY** -- Municipalities which already have airports.

14.8.3 **DESCRIPTION** -- The Department may provide for the upgrading of airport facilities. Assistance may include items such as:

- Overlay of runway, taxiway and apron areas, or other surface treatment such as slurry sealing. The type and timing of pavement rehabilitation projects will be determined through technical evaluation by department engineering staff.
- Consideration may be given for future installations of basic navigational and visual aids to community airports.
- Municipalities must contact Alberta Transportation and Utilities for assistance. If the project is approved, Alberta Transportation and Utilities will fund and supervise the construction.

14.8.4 **FINANCING** -- Virtually 100% financing by Alberta Transportation and Utilities.

See Provincial Funding Allocation 15.14.8.

14.8.5 **TIME FRAME** -- This is an ongoing program of the Provincial Government.

14.8.6 **REFERENCE** -- Public Highways Development Act
Chapter P-28 R.S.A. 1980

14.8.7 **INFORMATION CONTACT**

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14.9 CULVERT INSTALLATION ASSISTANCE

14.9.1 **OBJECTIVES** -- To provide technical and financial assistance to counties and municipal districts with large culvert installations 1.5 metres (5 Feet) in diameter or larger which serve in lieu of bridges.

14.9.2 **ELIGIBILITY** -- This program is primarily available to counties and municipal districts. Assistance is also provided to towns and villages when such installations are on road allowances or on through streets in lieu of road allowances.

14.9.3 **DESCRIPTION** -- In late summer, Alberta Transportation and Utilities accepts requests from municipalities covering their requirements for bridge structures. Selection and priority for assistance is determined on the basis of a demonstrated need to the extent that funding is available.

This assistance is applied toward such costs as preparation of foundation, assembly of culvert, backfill under haunches, fill over the culvert to a one metre depth and riprap.

14.9.4 **FINANCING** -- Alberta Transportation will contribute towards the acceptable installation of large culverts 1.5 metres (5 feet) in diameter or larger and will supply the necessary culvert material at no cost to the Road Authority. This contribution is paid only if the design specifications and instructions are adhered to.

See Provincial Funding Allocation section 15.14.9. No specific yearly funding levels established due to major fluctuations of need.

14.9.5 **TIME FRAME** -- This is an ongoing program of the Provincial Government.

14.9.6 **REFERENCE** -- Public Highways Development Act
Chapter P-28 R.S.A. 1980

14.9.7 **INFORMATION CONTACT**

Regional Directors at:

Lethbridge	- 381-5426	Airdrie	- 948-4108
Red Deer	- 340-5166	St. Paul	- 645-6330
Barrhead	- 674-8221	Peace River	- 624-6280

14.10 RAILWAY CROSSING IMPROVEMENT PROGRAM

14.10.1**OBJECTIVES** -- To assist municipalities with their share of the capital cost of improving railway crossings on roads under municipal jurisdiction (excluding roads under city administration).

14.10.2**DESCRIPTION** -- The program is designed to improve safety at existing railway crossings. The department provides financial assistance for the installation of automatic protection signals, clearing of sight lines, improving of grades, etc. The program also provides for technical assistance by the department in obtaining new railway crossings. No financial assistance is provided for new crossings.

Municipalities must apply to Alberta Transportation and Utilities to make their needs known. Alberta Transportation and Utilities, will, in turn, either submit the application to the National Transportation Agency for approval of the proposed improvements and to Transport Canada for a financial grant or advise the municipality of the procedures to be followed in submitting it's own application. The department will also provide engineering or technical information required to support the application.

Alberta Transportation and Utilities will provide Railway Crossing Advance Warning signs for any crossings where the signs are required. Signs may be requested on an individual crossing basis or will be provided by Alberta Transportation and Utilities as each rail line is subjected to a safety review.

14.10.3**FINANCING** -- At grade crossings on secondary roads, the department pays 100% of the road authority's share (municipality's share) of the cost of the improvement.

At crossings on local roads, the department pays 50% of the road authority's share (municipality's share) of the cost of the improvement.

The department does not contribute toward the cost of maintaining crossings or automatic protection signals.

See Provincial Funding Allocation section 15.14.10. Not available as these costs are included with other expenditures in municipalities.

14.10.4**TIME FRAME** -- This is an ongoing program of the Provincial Government.

14.10.5**REFERENCE** -- Public Highways Development Act
Chapter P-28 R.S.A. 1980

14.10.6**INFORMATION CONTACT**

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14.11 RAILWAY FACILITY RELOCATION POLICY

14.11.1 **OBJECTIVES** -- The Province recognizes the potential developmental benefits, to Alberta's smaller cities, of access to centrally located railway land no longer required for railway operating purposes. In keeping with this recognition, the Province wishes to assist these cities in carrying out railway facility relocation projects.

14.11.2 **BACKGROUND** -- In 1975, the Province of Alberta, jointly with the federal government, sponsored railway relocation studies undertaken by Alberta cities under the Canada Rail Relocation and Crossing Act. In October, 1977, the federal government withdrew from further funding of studies and announced it had cancelled any consideration of assisting actual rail relocation projects.

The Province's involvement in railway relocation studies was shortly thereafter expanded, including an ongoing commitment to assist the implementation of viable railway relocation projects.

14.11.3 **ELIGIBILITY CRITERIA** -- The Railway Facility Relocation Policy will apply to Alberta's smaller cities who are able to demonstrate that:

1. Substantial quantifiable benefits to the urban development objectives of the city can be achieved through release of land presently occupied by railway facilities, and
2. The potential value of lands released through railway facility relocation project will make a substantial contribution to the cost of the relocation project, and
3. Existing railway facilities create a significant barrier to the provision of efficient transportation services within the city, and
4. In the view of the affected railway, the relocation of facilities is feasible in light of system-wide operational requirements, and
5. Existing railway rights of way provisions through the city are maintained under the proposed railway facility relocation project.

The Railway Facility Relocation Policy is not designed to apply to the two largest cities of Alberta, who generally have the in-house planning and financing capability of dealing with such projects, nor to Alberta towns who would not normally be able to meet the eligibility criteria of this policy.

Notwithstanding the above, the Province may, upon specific project application, determine this policy, or portions thereof, to apply to a larger city or town if such a project meets the eligibility criteria and could not proceed without the Provincial involvement provided by this policy.

14.11.4 THE DELIVERY PROGRAM

Part I - Studies - The Province will contribute 50% of the cost to a city, of carrying out an approved railway facility relocation feasibility study. Involvement of the affected railway, the relevant and/or local planning authority must be solicited and obtained.

Part II - Negotiations - Where the railway relocation feasibility study determines the proposed project to be viable, meeting all eligibility criteria of this program, the Province will assist the city in negotiating the concurrence of the affected railway.

Part III - Relocation Projects - Where the joint province/city negotiations with the affected railway have resulted in a mutually acceptable plan for railway facility relocation and for the sharing of costs thereof, the Province will assist the city in financing the implementation of the project. The Provincial financial contribution will be 50% of the city's costs in implementing a railway facility relocation project. The 50% Provincial cost sharing involvement, while considered the usual level of city and Provincial commitment to a project, may vary from project to project on the basis of the specific needs of a city and the estimated timing of returns from sales of lands released by a relocation project.

Subject to the preparation of adequate roadway and public transportation plans, and the preparation and guarantee of a suitable land-use plan for lands released by the project, the Province will jointly with the city, take an investment position in the project. The eligible urban municipality shall establish a mechanism to implement the project and to dispose, by sale or lease, of released lands.

First right of refusal on the purchase or lease of such lands shall be offered to the city and the Province, but in all cases, sales or leases shall be at the then prevailing market rates.

Revenues from the sale or lease of lands released by a railway facility relocation project will, after meeting the administrative costs of such transactions, be distributed between the city and the Province in the same ratio as each contributed to the cost of the project.

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PROVINCIAL FUNDING ALLOCATION

15.0 PROVINCIAL FUNDING ALLOCATION

	Department/Program	**Budget 1991/92**
15.1.0	**Agriculture**	
15.1.1	Agricultural Service Board Program	$ 4,330,000
15.1.2	Bacterial Ring Rot Control Policy	as noted in program
15.1.3	Seed Cleaning Plant Program	as noted in program
15.1.4	Canada/Alberta Agreement on Soil, Water and Cropping Research and Technology Transfer Programs [CARTT]	as noted in program
15.1.5	Canada/Alberta Soil Conservation Initiative (CASCI)	as noted in program
15.2.0	**Career Development and Employment**	
15.2.1	Summer Temporary Employment Program (S.T.E.P.) - Career and Work Experience Element	as noted in program
15.2.2	Employment Skills Program (E.S.P.)	as noted in program
15.3.0	**Culture and Multiculturalism**	
15.3.1	Professional Development in Heritage Preservation	as noted in program
15.3.2	Education	as noted in program
15.3.3	Heritage Awareness	as noted in program
15.3.4	Historic Resource Preservation	as noted in program
15.3.5	Workshops, Seminars, Conferences	as noted in program
15.3.6	Publications	as noted in program

	Department/Program	Budget 1991/92
15.3.7	Research	as noted in program
15.3.8	Alberta Main Street and Historic District Program	$ 628,000
15.3.9	Museum Assistance Program	$ 492,100
15.3.10	Library Grant	$ 11,653,400
15.4.0	Economic Development and Trade	
15.4.1	Alberta Community Business Development Training Services	as noted in program
15.4.2	Business Initiatives forAlberta Communities Program	$ 850,000
15.5.0	Alberta Education	
15.5.1	School Foundation Program (S.F.P.F.)	$ 1,258,298,000
15.5.2	Equity Grants	$ 83,230,000
15.5.3	Special Education Grants	$ 105,308,000
15.5.4	Student Program Grants	$ 40,480,000
15.5.5	General Education Grants	$ 20,499,000
15.5.6	Early Childhood Services	$ 80,579,000
15.5.7	Private School Assistance	$ 21,039,000
15.5.8	Provincial Contribution to the Teacher's Retirement Fund	$ 78,208,000
15.6.0	Environment	
15.6.1	Biting Fly Control Financial Assistance Program	$ 486,021
15.6.2	Alberta Water Management and Erosion Control Program	$ 4,000,000
15.6.3	Resource Recovery Grant Program	$ 627,095
15.6.4	Reclamation Program for Derelict Land	$ 2,000,000
15.6.5	Alberta Waste Management Assistance	$ 3,375,000

	Department/Program	Budget 1991/92
15.6.6	Waste Minimization and Recycling Development Program	as noted in program
15.7.0	**Family and Social Services**	
15.7.1	Alberta Day Care Program	$ 81,059,284
15.7.2	Family and Community Support Services	$ 34,603,860
15.8.0	**Municipal Affairs**	
15.8.1	Interest Stabilization Grant	$ 46,246,000
15.8.2	Alberta Partnership Transfer Program	as noted in program
15.8.3	Municipal Assistance Grant	$ 110,292,400
15.8.4	Property Tax Reduction Benefits	$ 71,417,000
15.8.5	Senior Citizen Renter Assistance Grant	$ 49,971,400
15.8.6	Senior Citizens' Self-Contained Apartment Project Grants	$ 1,100,000
15.8.7	Municipal Internship Program	$ 64,573
15.8.8	Alberta Municipal Partnership in Local Employment Program	as noted in program
15.8.9	Ethno-Cultural Provincial School Levy Abatement	$ 300,000
15.8.10	Housing Registry Program	$ 500,000
15.8.11	Unique Homes Assistance Program	$ 925,000
15.8.12	Home Adaptation Program	$ 3,030,000
15.8.13	Seniors' Independent Living Program	$ 34,800,000
15.8.14	Seniors' Emergency Medical Alert Program	$ 1,400,000
15.8.15	Rural Home Assistance Program	$ 2,421,000
15.8.16	Rural and Native Housing Program - Capital Operating	$ 1,000,000 $ 2,639,200

	Department/Program	Budget 1991/92
15.8.17	Rural Emergency Home Program	$ 1,676,000
15.8.18	Rural Emergency Home Program (on Indian Reserves)	as noted in program
15.8.19	Community Housing Program	$ 5,000,000
15.8.20	Senior Citizens Lodge Program - New Units - Lodge Regeneration	$ 1,200,000 $ 15,300,000
15.8.21	Lodge Assistance Program - Lodge Extended Warranty and Renovation Assistance	$ 6,900,000 $ 2,000,000
15.8.22	Senior Citizens Self-Contained Program	$ 7,100,000
15.8.23	Rent Supplement Program	as noted in program
15.8.24	Non-Profit National Housing Act Programs	$ 5,100,000
15.9.0	**Alberta Public Safety Services**	
15.9.1	Disaster Assistance Program	as noted in program
15.9.2	Rescue Kit Program	$ 80,000
15.9.3	Regional Response Improvement Program	as noted in program
15.10.0	**Public Works, Supply and Services**	
15.10.1	Grants-In-Lieu of Taxes	$ 44,360,000
15.10.2	Municipal Anniversary Recognition Program	as noted in program
15.11.0	**Recreation and Parks**	
15.11.1	Community Recreation/Cultural Grant Program	$ 20,128,000
15.11.2	Hosting Grant Program	$ 110,000
15.12.0	**Solicitor General**	
15.12.1	Municipal Police Assistance Grant	$ 32,684,500

	Department/Program	**Budget 1991/92**
15.12.2	Liquor Control Act Subsidy	$ 110,000
15.12.3	Municipal Police Building Subsidy	$ 50,000
15.12.4	Police Phase-In Grant	$ 323,000
15.12.5	Summer Village Policing Grant	$ 48,000
15.13.0	**Tourism**	
15.13.1	Community Tourism Action Program	as noted in program
15.13.2	Team Tourism Marketing Program	as noted in program
15.14.0	**Transportation and Utilities**	
15.14.1	Alberta Cities Transportation Partnership	$ 112,592,000
15.14.1.1	Basic Capital and Community Safe Streets	as noted in program
15.14.1.2	Primary Highway Maintenance	as noted in program
15.14.1.3	Public Transit Operating Assistance	as noted in program
15.14.2	Regular Road Grant for Counties and Municipal Districts	$ 23,915,192
15.14.3	Dust Control Grant for Counties and Municipal Districts	$ 2,590,465
15.14.4	Engineering Assistance Grant	$ 755,000
15.14.5	Hamlets Streets Assistance Program	$ 600,000
15.14.6	Streets Improvement Program	$ 7,500,000
15.14.7	Alberta Municipal Water/Wastewater Partnership	$ 20,930,000
15.14.8	Alberta Airport Development Program	as noted in program
15.14.9	Culvert Installation Assistance	as noted in program

	Department/Program	**Budget 1991/92**
15.14.10	Railway Crossing Improvement Program	as noted in program
15.14.11	Railway Facility Relocation Policy	as noted in program

APPENDICES

16.1 PROGRAM ADDITIONS

AGRICULTURE

- Canada/Alberta Soil Conservation Initiative (CASCI)

CULTURE AND MULTICULTURALISM

- Alberta Main Street and Historic Districts Program

EDUCATION

- More detailed explanation of grant programs delivered by Alberta Education is provided in this section

ENVIRONMENT

- Waste Minimization and Recycling Development Program

TRANSPORTATION AND UTILITIES

- Alberta Municipal Water/Wastewater Partnership

16.2 PROGRAM DELETIONS

AGRICULTURE

- Horticultural Information to Home Owners and Gardners

CAREER DEVELOPMENT AND EMPLOYMENT

- Priority Employment Program (P.E.P.) - Community Employment Element
- Alberta Youth Employment and Training Program (A.Y.E.T.P.) Youth Work Experience and Training Element

CULTURE AND MULTICULTURALISM

- Cemeteries

RECREATION AND PARKS

- Municipal Recreation/Tourism Areas Program

TRANSPORTATION AND UTILITIES

- Alberta Municipal Water Supply and Sewage Treatment Grant Program
- Agricultural Processing Industries Grant Program

- Regional Utilities Program
- Northern Supplementary Fund Assistance Program
- Utilities Officer Program

16.3 PROGRAM TRANSFERS/CONSOLIDATIONS

CULTURE AND MULTICULTURALISM

- Advanced Education in Heritage Preservation is now titled Professional Development in Heritage Preservation
- Presenting Workshops, Seminars, Conferences is now titled Workshops, Seminars, Conferences

ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT AND TRADE

- Alberta Community Business Development Training Program is now titled Alberta Community Business Development Training Services

MORTGAGE AND HOUSING COPORATION

- The following programs are now administered by Alberta Municipal Affairs. They are:
  - Community Housing Program.
  - Senior Citizens Lodge Program.
  - Lodge Assistance Program.
  - Senior Citizens Self-Contained Program.
  - Rent Supplement Program.
  - Non-Profit National Housing Act Programs.

TRANSPORTATION AND UTILITIES

- The program "Community Safe Streets" is combined with the "Basic Capital" program now listed as "Basic Capital and Community Safe Streets".